"Chicago’s oldest major medical association, the Chicago Medical Society (CMS), was founded by Levi Boone (a great nephew of Daniel Boone) and other physicians in 1850 and was restructured in 1852 by Nathan S. Davis, an organizer of the American Medical Association in Philadelphia in 1847.

The Chicago Medical Record, the first CMS publication, launched in 1891. Later renamed the Chicago Medical Recorder, the journal continued until 1927. Those decades represented a crucial period in the development of the city’s medical community. CMS also introduced the Bulletin of the Chicago Medical Society and still publishes Chicago Medicine. Long considered the largest local medical society in the United States, CMS successfully accommodated specialty societies like the Chicago Pathological Society and the Chicago Neurological Society by adopting in 1903 a federal-style organization in which specialized bodies conduct meetings but delegate policymaking to elected officers and financial matters to trustees.

Chicago’s medical community figured prominently both regionally and nationally. CMS physicians dominated the Illinois State Medical Society soon after its establishment in 1840. Dr. Nathan S. Davis served as the first editor of the Journal of the American Medical Association; under the long editorship (1924-1949) of Dr. Morris Fishbein, another prominent Chicago physician, JAMA became the leading American medical journal.”

(Source: Adapted from the online Chicago encyclopedia of the Chicago History Museum.)
Editorial Mission

Chicago Medicine magazine is a resource for practicing physicians and their staff. Reflecting all aspects of medicine—academic, clinical, legal and technological—the magazine covers trends and issues that affect all of Cook County’s 17,000 physicians. Readers benefit from clinical updates, continuing medical education articles, public health and practice management reports.

"Chicago Medicine is the oldest and most prestigious local publication for physicians in every specialty"

—James M. Galloway, MD, MPH
Editorial Overview

FEATURES
Trends and issues shaping medical practice; health care reform; new treatment modalities; changes in graduate medical education. Includes research highlights from the region's seven teaching institutions, academic medical centers, and more than 60 hospitals.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION
Updates on managing obesity and diabetes; end-of-life care; women’s health issues; infectious disease; pediatric and adolescent medicine; primary care; genetic testing; asthma and immunology; geriatric care; robotic surgery; and more.

CMS ADVOCACY
Reports on legislative activity and advocacy in Cook County, Springfield and Washington, DC, including state and local judicial elections; CMS’ relationships with lawmakers; physician testimony at city and county hearings, CMS’ support for key bills.

PRACTICE MANAGEMENT
Information you need to run your practice—billing and coding help; reimbursement; human resources; patient communications; medical-legal; time management; personnel issues; marketing and social media; public speaking, and more. Includes updates from CMS’ Practice Manager Section.

LEGAL/FINANCIAL
Asset protection; investment planning; retirement and estate planning; physician hospital alignment; mergers and consolidations; employment contracting; hospital bylaws; medical staff relations; buying and selling a practice; identity theft; risk management, and workforce issues.

TECHNOLOGY
Choosing and implementing an EHR; attestation and meaningful use; ICD-10-CM; health care data breaches; HIPAA and personal health records; telemedicine; mobile health; insurance exchanges; clinical analytics, and more.

LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY
Health system reform; Medicare/Medicaid rules; accountable care models and co-ops; patient-centered care; payment reform; graduate medical education; student debt and repayment; state and national judicial decisions; and regulatory news.

CMS MEMBER BENEFITS
Insurance agency; CME; networking; lectures; mini-internships with lawmakers; online career center and job board; mentorship and volunteer opportunities; committee participation; online communities; billing and coding issues; CPR and AED training, OSHA workshops; reimbursement help.

PUBLIC HEALTH
Infectious disease; obesity and diabetes; stroke and heart disease; healthy lifestyle initiatives; mental health; health care disparities; foodborne illness; substance abuse; e-cigarettes and tobacco cessation; emergency preparedness planning; disaster medicine.

OPINION/FORUM
A place where physicians can make their case on different issues through fact-based, researched articles.

BOOK REVIEWS
Reviews by physicians on general interest topics, including histories of medicine and biographies of prominent doctors. Also reviews published works of physician members.

WHO’S WHO
Human interest profiles of mover and shaker physicians in Cook County and those in leadership positions. Highlights doctors in academic settings, public health, large and small groups, and hospitals.
Audience

Chicago Medicine readers are thought leaders in the medical field. As practitioners, they strive for excellence in patient care and accountability, while advocating for better health policies through political action. Here is a summary of who our readers are, what they specialize in, and where they practice.

CHICAGO MEDICAL SOCIETY DEMOGRAPHICS

Total members: 5,000

Gender: Male: 69%; Female: 31%

Age: 21-24 Years: 4%; 25-34 Years: 24%; 35-43 Years: 10%; 44-54 Years: 17%; 55-64 Years: 19%; 65+ Years: 26%

Type of Practice:
Private Practice
Employed
Group Practice
Academic/Teaching
Public Health
Service Corporation

Specialties: General Practice/Primary Care: 43%; Specialties: 57%

- Adolescent medicine
- Adolescent psychiatry
- Allergy and immunology
- Anatomic pathology
- Anesthesiology
- Cardiology
- Cardiac surgery
- Cardiovascular disease
- Cardiovascular surgery
- Child psychiatry
- Colorectal surgery
- Critical care medicine
- Dermatologic surgery
- Dermatology
- Diagnostic radiology
- Emergency medicine
- Endocrinology
- Family medicine
- Family practice
- Forensic pathology
- Gastroenterology
- General medicine
- General practice
- General preventive medicine
- General surgery
- Geriatrics
- Gynecology
- Gynecologic oncology
- Hand surgery
- Head and neck surgery
- Hematology
- Infectious disease
- Internal medicine
- Maternal/fetal medicine
- Maxillofacial surgery
- Medical genetics
- Neonatal-perinatal medicine
- Nephrology
- Neurological surgery
- Neuropathology
- Neurology
- Nuclear medicine
- Obstetrics
- Obstetrics-gynecology
- Occupational medicine
- Oncology
- Ophthalmology
- Oral surgery
- Orthopedic surgery
- Otolaryngology
- Otology
- Pathology
- Pediatric allergy
- Pediatric anesthesiology
- Pediatric cardiology
- Pediatric endocrinology
- Pediatric hematology/oncology
- Pediatric neurology
- Pediatric orthopedics
- Pediatric radiology
- Pediatric surgery
- Pediatrics
- Physical medicine and rehabilitation
- Plastic surgery
- Psychiatry
- Psychoanalysis
- Pulmonary disease
- Radiation oncology
- Radiology
- Reproductive endocrinology
- Rheumatology
- Sports medicine
- Thoracic surgery
- Trauma surgery
- Urology
- Vascular surgery
Chicago Medicine readers practice in challenging, dynamic health systems. The city is home to the largest urban medical, education, research and technology district in the U.S. Chicago boasts the highest concentration of teaching institutions and the third largest public health system. Illinois produces more medical school graduates than any state in the nation.

**CMS MEMBERS PRACTICE AT THE FOLLOWING HOSPITALS**

Adventist LaGrange Memorial Hospital  
Advocate Bethany Hospital  
Advocate Christ Medical Center  
Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital  
Advocate Hope Children’s Hospital  
Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center  
Advocate Lutheran General Hospital  
Advocate Lutheran General Children’s Hospital  
Advocate South Suburban Hospital  
Advocate Trinity Hospital  
Alexian Brothers Behavioral Health Hospital  
Alexian Brothers Medical Center  
Children’s Memorial Hospital  
Chicago Lakeshore Hospital  
Gottlieb Memorial Hospital  
Holy Cross Hospital  
Holy Family Medical Center  
Ingalls Memorial Hospital  
Jackson Park Hospital and Medical Center  
Jesse Brown VA Medical Center  
Kindred Chicago Central Hospital  
Kindred Hospital, Chicago  
Kindred Hospital, Northlake  
LaRabida Children’s Hospital  
Little Company of Mary Hospital and Health Care Centers  
Loretto Hospital  
Louis A. Weiss Memorial Hospital  
Loyola University Medical Center  
MacNeal Memorial Hospital  
Mercy Hospital and Medical Center  
Methodist Hospital of Chicago  
MetroSouth Medical Center  
Mount Sinai Hospital  
NorthShore University HealthSystem Evanston Hospital  
NorthShore University HealthSystem Glenbrook Hospital  
NorthShore University HealthSystem Highland Park Hospital  
NorthShore University HealthSystem Skokie Hospital  
Northwest Community Hospital  
Northwestern Memorial Hospital  
Norwegian-American Hospital  
Oak Forest Hospital  
Our Lady of the Resurrection Medical Center  
Palos Community Hospital  
Provident Hospital of Cook County  
Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago  
Resurrection Medical Center  
Riveredge Hospital  
Roseland Community Hospital  
Rush North Shore Medical Center  
Rush Oak Park Hospital  
Rush University Medical Center  
Sacred Heart Hospital  
St. Alexis Medical Center  
St. Anthony Hospital  
St. Bernard Hospital and Health Care Center  
St. Francis Hospital of Evanston  
St. James Hospital and Health Center  
Saint Joseph Hospital  
Saints Mary and Elizabeth Medical Center  
Schwab Rehabilitation Hospital  
Sherman Hospital  
Shriners Hospital for Children  
South Shore Hospital  
Streamwood Hospital  
John H. Stroger, Jr., Hospital  
Swedish Covenant Hospital  
Thorek Hospital and Medical Center  
UHS Hartgrove Hospital  
University of Illinois Medical Center  
West Suburban Medical Center  
Westlake Hospital
Editorial Guidelines & Policies

Chicago Medicine magazine’s audience is comprised of 5,000 physicians and students who are members of the Chicago Medical Society. Our readers represent all specialties, but mostly primary care. Our readers seek educational and informative articles about trends and issues in health care delivery, to new treatment modalities, to changes in medical education. We prefer articles written by physicians and health care attorneys. Here is a brief summary of our guidelines:

• Magazine articles should be timely and original, written exclusively for Chicago Medicine.
• The magazine appears in its entirety on the website and some articles may appear online only.
• Submission: All articles should be submitted as electronic text documents to Elizabeth Sidney, co-editor, at esidney@cmsdocs.org. Charts and graphs should also be submitted electronically as text documents. We require illustrations and photos to be high-resolution JPEGs or PDFs, as opposed to photos copied from a website, which are generally low-resolution and not reproduce well in print. While we do not publish footnotes, we do ask authors to supply references and documentation to support their article.
• Article Length: Depending on the section, the length may vary. One magazine page is approximately 750 words. Features typically run two to four pages, and opinion pieces run one page for approximately 750 words.
• Content: Opinion articles are encouraged as long as they are researched and fact-based, with minimal use of the first-person pronoun “I” and do not characterize individuals and organizations in an unprofessional manner. Authors should attempt to present different sides of a controversial issue; criticism should be balanced with constructive advice.
• Review: Articles are reviewed by the CMS Editorial Advisory Committee. The Committee reserves the right to accept, or reject the article, or request that revisions be made. Chicago Medicine also reserves the right to edit and make revisions as deemed necessary, and to request additional material as needed. The Committee’s decision is binding. An article with significant changes is sent back to the author(s) for review, prior to publication.
• Style: Chicago Medicine articles should be written for a general physician audience in magazine style to appeal to colleagues from all specialties. Technical/scientific articles are edited according to the AMA Manual of Style, while non-technical ones follow the Associated Press Stylebook.
• Deadline: 90 days prior to the publication date, which is the first of each month. (The deadline for the November issue is August 1.)
• Copyright: All original articles are copyrighted by the Chicago Medical Society. The author is required to sign a release.