

Educational Dinner Meeting with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Once again MASA delivered on its commitment to present an enjoyable educational program extraordinaire. The June seminar organized by MASA and sponsored by Atlantic Biomedical Company, Surgical Recoveries (SRI) and Safe Sedation Anesthesia was held at a lovely waterfront setting where attendees could relax, soak up the fresh waterfront experience and enjoy the company of like peers who are eager to learn more about the extraordinary elements of running a successful, sustainable and compliant ASC in the state of Maryland; a challenge for all of us indeed. It was a little warm, but the cuisine and speakers enabled attendees to engross themselves in the information provided. Prominent speakers were Luke Reich, RN and Barbara Hall, RN from the Maryland Department of Health and Human Service. Their dynamic and informative presentation regarding the Medicare Conditions of Coverage was well presented and elicited a great deal of interactive participation by attendees. It was rewarding to see the engagement between audience and speaker. The speakers were generous in their attempts to answer the multitude of questions directed at the professional state surveyors. In spite of the heat, they rewarded us with a great deal of useful information. A Q&A session took place at the conclusion of their address and they have committed to answering many of the questions that time did not permit during the session. The Q&A will be posted on the MASA website for all to access in the near future, in addition to the announcement of the upcoming MASA seminar scheduled for November 2, 2011. We look forward to seeing many of you there for more education; networking and improved awareness of legislative activities that assist in keeping ASC's viable in the state of Maryland well into the future. Great ASC community communication and education results in excellent legislative activities that assist all of us in remaining viable well into the 21st century!