



Catholic Physicians Guild of Dallas

A Chartered Guild of the Catholic Medical Association

July 2013

Upcoming events

- August 7 – Teen Star, Sexuality Teaching in the Context of Adult Responsibility, Elizabeth Heyne PA-C
- Sept 4 – Conscience Protection, Tom Brandt
- Upcoming meeting schedule can be found [here](#)

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In the News

[Pope: God always desires hearts of mercy](#)
In his first Angelus message from Castel Gandolfo, Pope Francis said God desires "good and generous" hearts full of mercy for those in need.

[Natural Family](#)

Next Meeting: Teen Star – CME Available



In the next meeting, Elizabeth Heyne PA-C will discuss the Teen Star program, an educational program teaching adolescents about moral formation, fertility awareness and human sexuality (and the important of abstinence). The program is internationally-known and is established in over 20 countries. Teen Star has been invited to participate at World Youth Day in Brazil, where Elizabeth will be involved in the activities. She will have just returned from Brazil when she speaks to us in August.

At the talk Elizabeth will present the Teen Star curriculum which currently is in place at St. Luke's and Santa Clara schools for 7th and 8th graders. She will also present data collected on the success of her program.

For those who are members of the guild, one hour of ethics CME will be received for participation in the meeting. Please RSVP at physiciansguild@dallascatholic.org.

For those of you who participated in the last CME event, you should have received an email from Children's Medical Center with certification of CME credit. Please contact us if you did not receive the email.

HB2 Passes and goes to Governor Perry!



The Catholic Physicians Guild of Dallas would like to congratulate the Texas Legislature for passing HB2 outlining new guidelines for abortions centers and outlawing of abortions after 20 weeks of gestation. We support the law and feel it

[Planning Awareness Week](#)

NFP Awareness week in July 21-27 and is being promoted by the USCCB

[CMA Issues White Paper on POLST](#)

POLST (an acronym for "Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment") is a new kind of advanced medical decision-making document that is spreading rapidly across the United States.

[God acts in our lives on his timetable, not ours, Pope stresses](#)

Pope Francis taught patience on our part in his daily homily June 28

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medically relevant to health and lives of women and children, not to mention the preservation of the moral fiber of our society.

We would like to cite the witness of one of our Guild members, Dr. Mayra Thompson (Dept of Ob-Gyn at UT Southwestern), who testified in Austin to legislative members of Texas about the bill's medical importance.

We pray for the continued work of our fellow Texans in the Pro Life Movement!

National CMA Conference in Santa Barbara, CA on Oct 24-26

This year's conference theme is the integration of Catholic Social Teaching into Health Care. The following is a video produced by the National CMA:



The national conference website with more information including schedule, hotel, registration, CME details can be found [here](#).

Pope Francis Releases First Encyclical



Pope Francis' first encyclical, Lumen Fidei (The Light of Faith), is being widely acclaimed for the beauty, clarity and profundity of its teaching.

"I believe it will be incredibly helpful to those trying to make sense of a world which appears to have lost faith in God but puts its faith instead in technology, celebrities and material possessions," said Father Paul Haffner, professor of theology at the Pontifical



Gregorian University in Rome.

An encyclical on faith was long expected as the last volume in Pope Benedict's trilogy on the three "theological virtues," following his encyclicals "Deus Caritas Est" (2005) on charity, and "Spe Salvi" (2007) on hope.

Read more [here](#)

Those who believe, see; they see with a light that illumines their entire journey, for it comes from the risen Christ, the morning star which never sets.

– Pope Francis, Lumen Fidei (1)