

March 29, 2005

Dear Fellow Orthopaedic Administrator:

I am pleased to announce the Spring Meeting of the Texas Orthopedic Administrators Association (T-BONES) will be held Friday, May 13th, 2004 at the Omni Mandalay Hotel at Las Colinas in Irving. There will be an all day meeting on Friday, as well as a dinner, for those interested, on Thursday, May 12th, at Omni Mandalay Hotel at Las Colinas.

In addition, T-Bones will be held in conjunction with the Texas Orthopedic Association (TOA) annual meeting. All T-Bones attendees are invited to participate in the TOA meetings and events (May 13th and 14<sup>th</sup>). We are also invited to visit the exhibitors. I will be emailing to you the TOA program. Please call me if you do not receive it.

I have received commitments from speakers who will provide valuable information to our group. They will address a variety of relevant topics.

**David Nota, PT** is the Director of Operations and Development for Body Mechanics, Inc. He will be speaking about the prospects of adding physical therapy to your group practice.

**Mignon McGarry** is the legislative consultant for the Texas Orthopaedic Association. She will be speaking about important issues before the Texas Legislature.

**Barbara Staiger** is the Administrator of Metrocrest Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine. Barbara will be talking about managed care contracts.

**Jerry Forrester** is the Administrator for Round Rock Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation. He will be speaking about General Practice Management issues. Please bring your issues and comments in order to make this session interactive.

**Bruce Litwin** is Chief Operating Officer for Merger Tree Solutions, LP in Houston. Bruce will be speaking on improving physician productivity and lifestyles via enhanced remote access and wireless techniques.

**Vinnie Salvo** is the President of XLExec, Inc. in Austin. He will be discussing Marketing plans for medical groups.

I am enclosing a tentative program as well as a registration form, which give additional information about this meeting. The expense for the Friday, May 13th, meeting is \$50, which includes breakfast and lunch. Please send your registration form as soon as possible since I must notify the hotel of the number of registrants. The meeting will be held at Omni Mandalay Hotel at Las Colinas. The hotel has agreed to reserve a block of rooms under the name of TOA for those interested individuals, but there is a deadline for reserving rooms at the convention rate. Reservations need to be made through the hotel 972-566-0800. ([www.omnihotels.com](http://www.omnihotels.com))

Please contact me at 281-440-6960 (office) or 713-728-4882 (home) if you have any questions concerning this information. I hope you will be able to attend this most important meeting. Thank you for your time and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Berkowitz  
Administrator

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Enclosures