Chair: Karen Hutchinson, MD

CME Accreditation
CSMS, through the auspices of its Committee on Continuing Medical Education (CME), is the authorized accreditor of ACCME in Connecticut to award American Medical Association-Physician Recognition Award (AMA-PRA) credits for physicians and physician assistants.

Snapshot of CSMS CME Accreditation Activities
- 33 authorized CME sponsors provided the following level of service:
  - 1,056 educational activities
  - 8,138 hours of Category 1 AMA PRA™
  - 73,634 physicians
  - 52,713 non-physicians

CSMS CME Committee Support Services
- Technical support by phone and email as requested
- Orientation for (new) program coordinators
- Pre-site survey visits by the director and/or committee members
- On-site consultation for quality improvement of CME programming
- Guest participation on the CME Committee and onsite visits for new and renewal applicants
- Three face-to-face meetings a year for networking and sharing best practices

A new initiative this year provided by the CSMS CME Committee is a series of six (6) 50-minute sessions through GoToMeeting.

To increase the relevance and value of CME, CSMS is in the middle of offering a series of six training sessions (The Cycle of CME) for teams in hospitals or organizations who are responsible for CME. Each organization is asked to select an educational activity to plan, implement and evaluate for practical application following the Cycle of CME. The purpose is to train a team at each organization that should include the director or chair of medical education, and as many committee members and/or department heads as possible.