



SAMA E-bulletin for August 2010

Dear colleagues,

This is the first E-bulletin for the Sudanese American Medical Association and will be on a monthly basis.

1. SAMA Annual Meeting

We held our first annual meeting in Chicago, IL on July 3rd 2010. It was well attended with members from 9 states. A lot of ideas and suggestions were shared. We have formulated our plan for the year 2010/2011. Find in the link below.

<http://sama-sd.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/08/SAMA-Meeting-Newsletter.pdf>

You can also see the photos on our facebook page

<http://www.facebook.com/#%21/pages/Sudanese-American-Medical-Association/258686532323?ref=ts>

If you have any suggestions please send them to admin@sama-sd.org, or post them on the general discussion forum, www.sama-sd.org/forum

2. SAMA E-clinic

www.sama-sd.org/sama-e-clinic

Case of the month is a Neurology case written by **Ahmed Tarig, MD**, Resident in Internal Medicine, Cook County Hospital, Chicago, IL.

It is reviewed by **Abdelazim Sirelkhathim, MBBS, DABPN**, Assistant Professor, University of Tennessee, & Associate director, Erlanger Stroke center, Chattanooga, TN, USA.

It is also reviewed from a neurosurgical perspective by **Amin Elkhatim Elyas MBBS, MRCS**, Clinical Fellow in Neurosurgery, Southampton University Hospital, Southampton, UK.

Image of the month is a general medicine picture; it comes from UK, South Yorkshire specifically; written by **Elmuhtady Said**, Gastroenterology Speciality Doctor, Barnsley District General Hospital, Barnsley, UK. We are especially pleased to have our first contribution from the United Kingdom, and hope to see more of that.

It is reviewed by **Ihab Babiker Abdul Rahman, MD**, Assistant Professor of Medicine, University of Khartoum, Khartoum, Sudan &

Faroug Yassin, MD, Attending in Internal Medicine, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA, USA.

Please email your clinical cases, and educational images to admin@sama-sd.org.

3. SAMA program for supporting Residency Match Applicants

Our forum continues to be active, www.sama-sd.org/forum

We continue to need your help to support residency match applicants by providing observerships, reviewing personal statements, general advice, overnight accomodation/airport transportation to those sitting for exams/attending interviews.

for more information visit <http://sama-sd.org/residency-match-applicants>

4. Membership fees & contributions

If you haven't paid your membership fees please mail a cheque for \$50 to "SAMA" , to the following address:

SAMA,

P.O. Box 38 ,

La Crosse, WI,

54602-0038

If you have made pledges for additional contributions during the meeting. Please mail them to the same address.

5. Spreading the word

Currently we have 230 Sudanese physicians in the USA on our mailing list, this is much lower than the total number of physicians in USA , so please spread the word about SAMA and what we are doing by forwarding this email to all your contacts.

SAMA Administration