



# Travis County Medical Society

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## MEMBER *spotlight*

### **Dr. Harish Gagneja**

*Gastroenterology*

“Gastroenterology is the perfect combination of intellectual curiosity as well as procedural skills. It involves multiple organs such as the esophagus, stomach, small intestine, large intestine, rectum, pancreas, liver, and gallbladder and each organ has its own unique set of problems to deal with,” says Dr. Harish Gagneja. [Read more here.](#)

### **Do you want to be featured in the TCMS Member Spotlight?**

It's important to celebrate TCMS physician members and sharing a bit about yourself is a great way to network and build relationships. Simply [click here](#) and answer the questions provided.



## Member Applicants

View information and photos of [new TCMS members](#).

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## Read the Latest *TCMS Journal*

The November/December issue of the *TCMS Journal* celebrates our 2024 award recipients; Physician of the Year, Ruth M. Bain Young Physician, and Humanitarian.

[Read the \*TCMS Journal\*](#)

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Ready for a Clucking Good Time? [Chicken Sh\\*# Bingo](#)

**Date:** Monday, January 27, 2025

**Time:** 6:30 - 9 pm

**Place:** Little Longhorn Saloon

5434 Burnet Rd, Austin, TX 78756

Only the best for our members. If *Texas Monthly* says Chicken Sh\*#! Bingo at the Little Longhorn Saloon should be on your Texas bucket list, then TCMS has you covered.

Join us for tacos in a down home, country dive made even more entertaining with the appearance of a live chicken and some lucky Sh\*#!

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# ADVOCACY 101

Earn 1 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™* With Ethics

**Speaker: Pam Udall**  
*TMA VP Communications and Marketing*



## TCMS Virtual Business of Medicine Presentation: Advocacy 101

**Date:** Thursday, January 23, 2025

**Time:** 12:00 - 1:00 PM

Virtual on Zoom

[Download flyer for more information](#)

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**CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION:**

The Texas Medical Association is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

TMA designates this live activity for a maximum of 1 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

The Texas Medical Association designates this activity for up to 1 hour in the area of ethics and/or professional responsibility education.

## The Go Red for Women Luncheon Wednesday, February 19, 2025



Since 2004, the American Heart Association's Go Red for Women movement has addressed the awareness and clinical care gaps of women's greatest health threat, cardiovascular disease. Cardiovascular disease is the leading killer of women in Austin and affects nearly 45% of women aged 20 and older, but research has shown that most cardiovascular events can be prevented through increased awareness and lifestyle changes. The Go Red for Women event experience focuses on connection and engagement, fostering an atmosphere of interaction and networking at every turn. We will celebrate the power of women banding together and the joy of spending time with fellow champions of our mission. The event will include education and experiences that can help improve your health and well-being and that of the women you know and love.

Go Red for Women is nationally sponsored by CVS Health and the Austin Go Red for Women Summit and Luncheon is locally sponsored by Ascension Texas, Texas Mutual, Centre for Neuro Skills and Encompass Health.

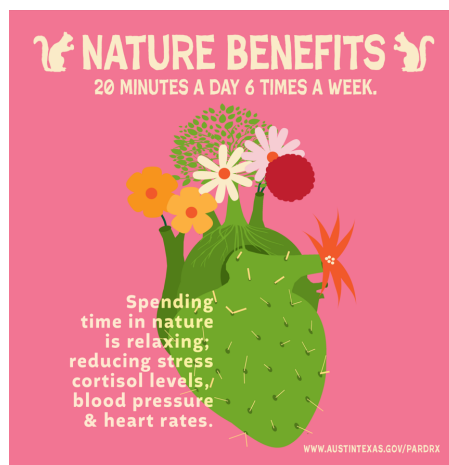
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## Parks Prescription Program

Scientific study affirms spending time outdoors has significant health benefits, including improvements to physical and mental well-being of individuals. Did you know trees produce natural oils to defend themselves? These natural oils, phytoncides, also help improve the human immune system! Are you looking for a simple way to improve you patients' lives?

Reach out to PARD Health Promotions Coordinator, [jill.habegger-cain@austintexas.gov](mailto:jill.habegger-cain@austintexas.gov) for Parks Prescription materials (Prescription pads, education posters, healthcare provider toolkits & MAPS of local parks)

For more information visit <https://www.austintexas.gov/pardrx>.



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## Save the Date: Retired Physicians' Organization (RPO) Luncheon:



**Jordan Weingarten, MD**

“Birding in Austin – Common Birds of Central Texas”

**Date:** Tuesday, January 21, 2025

**Time:** 11:30 AM

**Place:** Tarrytown Methodist Church, 2601 Exposition Blvd

**Cost:** \$25.00 (non-refundable)

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