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To: All Osteopathic Physicians

From: Donald J. Krpan, DO
President, Board of Trustees
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Re: Continued Participation in the National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey

In cooperation with the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) and several national healthcare organizations, the American Osteopathic Association has renewed its endorsement of the National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey. Administered by the NCHS, a unit of the Department of Health and Human Services, the survey is the only source of national data on patient visits to U.S. physicians in the last twenty years. We feel this a valuable resource and ask for your continued participation in the study.

In the past, the information gathered in the NAMCS has offered several benefits to osteopathic physicians. The data has served as an individual database for planning and organizing health services, as a tool for assessing health facility and staffing requirements, and as an opportunity to learn about natural history and epidemiology as it is reflected in the ambulatory setting. We are confident that the methodology is sound and that you will find the results both relevant and useful for everyday practice.

Please provide the NAMCS with the information requested. Thank you for supporting this worthwhile effort.

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