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## TOP NEWS

### Dignity Health and Anthem Fail To Reach New Agreement

CMA Newswire

After months of negotiations, Dignity Health California and Anthem Blue Cross failed to reach a new contract agreement. As a result, the contract between Dignity Health and Anthem has terminated. [READ MORE](#) details about the impact and timeline of the termination.

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This will be an in-person meeting allowing attendees to interact and ask questions of faculty members.

**WHEN:** September 17, Friday evening – 5:00 pm – 9:30 pm  
September 18, Saturday – 8:00 am -4:00 pm

**WHERE:** Pacifica Orthopedics – 11th Floor Conference Room  
18800 Delaware St. #1100, Huntington Beach

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PRODUCT SHOWCASE



## Orthopedic Surgeon for busy practice

Great opportunity for an orthopedic surgeon in a busy practice with excellent compensation. Primarily WC & PI practice with some private insurance patients.

Will need to work in multiple modern clinics in Los Angeles & Orange Counties & Inland Empire.

No nights or weekends  
No hospital call  
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## Shared Office Space Available

An established (30 years) solo orthopedic surgeon looking to share spacious (approx. 5000 sq ft) office with another orthopedic surgeon. Practice located 25 miles east of downtown Los Angeles with in-house digital x-ray, physical therapy, and friendly office staff. A good hospital and an outpatient surgery center within 5-10 minutes from the office. Willing to refer patients to the new doctor. Eventual takeover of the practice is a definite possibility. [View pictures of the space here.](#)

Contact: Hose Kim, M.D. Phone: 562-945-8873 or Email: [hkimmd1@gmail.com](mailto:hkimmd1@gmail.com)

## Job Opportunities

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[Learn more](#) about the following job opportunities:

### Ventura Orthopedics — Posted: 7/19/21

Orthopedic Surgeon Shoulder and Elbow Reconstruction

### Orthopaedic Surgeon Needed — Posted 7/19/2021

### Orthopedic Fellowship- Out-Patient TJA — Posted 7/19/2021

Start Date July 2022

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## New Data on Coronavirus Vaccine Effectiveness May Be 'A Wakeup Call'

Axios

A new preprint study that raises concerns about the mRNA vaccines' effectiveness against Delta — particularly Pfizer's — has already grabbed the attention of top Biden administration officials.

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## PhRMA Code Update Clarifies and Tightens Key Provisions Associated with Speaker Programs

Foley & Lardner LLP

Undoubtedly in response to OIG's November 2020 Special Fraud Alert: Speaker Programs issued, on August 6, 2021, PhRMA issued a statement addressing an update to the PhRMA Code on Interactions with Health Care Professionals, which will become effective on January 1, 2022. PhRMA updated its principles applicable to company-sponsored speaker programs and clarified other provisions of the PhRMA Code in the following ways.

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## Scripps Records Q3 Operating Loss, Notes Cyberattack Cost of \$112.7M

Becker's Hospital Review

Scripps Health said it incurred \$112.7 million in lost revenue and added expenses from a May 1 cyberattack. The San Diego-based health system discovered unusual network activity on some of its IT systems May 1, prompting Scripps to take those systems, including its Epic EHR, offline. During nearly one month of EHR downtime, the health system operated using established backup processes, including offline documentation methods. Its systems were restored by May 26.

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