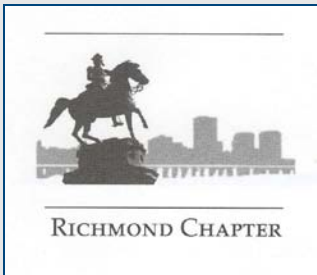




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President's Message

Memorial Day was the unofficial start of summer. Well, given the number of 90 degree days we have had so far, I feel like we are already in the middle of summer!! We are definitely in the middle of our education sessions for 2012. Our last session by Stuart Sutley was well attended and was a very interesting discussion on Wellness.

Our education will continue on June 14th with our full day health & welfare session. The topics will include an HSA update, Domestic vs International Insurance and an employer panel to name a few. The full schedule can be seen online in the Program Calendar section of our website – www.iscebs-richmond.org. If the topics are not compelling enough, there are also 6 CE credits available - 2 Law & regulations and 4 Life & Health. In addition, we have received approval for 6 hours of General HRCI credits. Breakfast and lunch will be served. If you have not yet registered, please do so today.

Our education sessions provide the perfect opportunity to learn about topics that are very relevant in the employee benefits world today. Even if these topics are not relevant to what you do – for example, I am in the retirement services arena – it does prepare you for the future. We are fortunate to have these educational sessions sponsored by many local benefit organizations. A complete list of sponsors is enclosed in this newsletter.

This past weekend provided a good example in the sports world for the need of continual preparation since one does not know what each day will provide. On June 1st, Johan Santana of the New York Mets pitched a no hitter. For those that are not baseball fans, bear with me. The Mets became a major league baseball team in 1962 – 50 years ago. They have won two World Series and seven FORMER pitchers threw no hitters after leaving the Mets. Until June 1st, no Met had achieved this feat. The point? Prepare every day for greatness because you never know when it is going to present itself.

As you know, our meetings are open to all interested benefit professionals. We encourage you to share the invitations to our events with your associates and friends to help spread the educational value of our Chapter with others in the community.

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Finally, if you are not a member of the Richmond Chapter or the International Society, there is still time to join and take advantage of the benefits of membership.

I look forward to seeing you at one of our upcoming events and thank you for your continued interest and support of our local Richmond Chapter. Remember, you never know when you may be throwing a no hitter – so prepare as if today will be your day!

Sincerely,

Rick Owens, CEBS
President, Richmond ISCEBS Chapter

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Membership Report

As we head into the summer months, it's still not too late to join the Society for the 2012 year. The National Chapter has announced an expansion of the New Member challenge through July 15! To date, we have 2 new members, and we always have room for more. To help encourage membership, there are reduced rates of only \$85 for mid-year members (special rates also apply for students, unemployed, or retired membership). This is a great opportunity for new members (or returning, but not yet joined) to receive all the benefits of membership and explore whether membership is right for them. If you know someone who may be interested in joining the chapter and learning more about the ISCEBS program, please let me know.

Renewing is easy to do online at <https://www.iscebs.org/About/Pages/isapp.aspx>. You can also fax your application to 262-786-8650 Or send a hard copy to ISCEBS, P.O. Box 209, Brookfield, WI 53008-0209.

Please join me in congratulating the following individuals as their hard work and studying has paid off with a designation!

Richard Ocheltree, CMS
 Melissa Kayser, CEBS

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Thank you again for all your support of ISCEBS and our local Richmond Chapter.

Sarah Phillips, CEBS
Membership Chair

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Please Join Us for the June Full-Day Health & Wellness Educational Event!

Our June session is a full-day Health & Wellness Seminar with **SIX (6) CE Credits APPROVED and SIX (6) HRCI General Credits APPROVED!!**

Presentations:

- Benefits Compliance – Navigating your organization through the next wave – Frasier Ives (Wells Fargo Insurance Services)
- Health Savings Accounts – 2012 – John Vellines (Health Savings Administrators)
- Employer Panel – Wellness Programs – Becky Drayton (Southern States) & Tina Stevens (VML Insurance Programs)
- Domestic vs International Insurance 101 – Allen Koski (Cigna)
- Provider Panel – New Initiatives (Medical Records/Patient Centered Medical Homes) – Robert Fortini (Bon Secours) & Dr. Colin Banas (VCUHS)

Date and Time: Thursday, June 14
7:30 a.m. - 3:30 pm **(First Speaker begins promptly at 8:00 a.m.)**
Breakfast and Lunch provided
Westwood Racquet Club

Location: 6200 West Club Lane
(804) 288-6028

Cost: \$60 (\$40 for members of the Richmond Chapter of ISCEBS)
Make checks payable and mail to: Richmond Chapter-ISCEBS
P.O. Box 6513, Richmond, VA 23230
Or you may pay at the door, if you have RSVP'd.
By June 11th to Aimee McAfee

Please RSVP: Aimee.McAfee@mercer.com or (804) 344-2601 OR

Register and pay online at:

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