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- OMS Legal Desk Reference (online)
- Non-clinical advice and mentorship

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Residents and faculty are invited to sign up for exclusive free access

OMSNIC is OMS National Insurance Company, Risk Retention Group
A company formed by oral and maxillofacial surgeons in 1987 that provides insurance, risk management, continuing education, profit sharing, and community to AAOMS members nationwide.

OMSNIC Quick Facts:

Company
- OMS-owned: OMSNIC is a Risk Retention Group (a form of self-insurance).
- Specialized: only insures oral and maxillofacial surgeons.
- Over 80% of eligible OMS nationwide are insured by OMSNIC.
- AAOMS endorses OMSNIC exclusively.
- Financially strong: rated A (Excellent) by A.M. Best Company.

OMSGuard™
- Three components for unmatched OMS practice protection:
  1. OMSGuard Professional Liability Policy. Consent to settle, free tail.
  2. OMSGuard Claims Defense. Powerful and specialized, with OMS oversight.
  3. OMSGuard Risk Management Program. Robust education, training and support.
- Included at no extra cost: cyber liability, personal umbrella, other defense coverages.

Discounts
- New to practice discounts.
- 5% discount for completion of online Resident Risk Management series.
- 5% discount for completion of OMS Risk Management Seminar.
- Loss-free discount up to 20% after three years in the program.

Profit Sharing
- Each OMSNIC policyholder is an owner of OMSCap™ Preferred Stock.
- Stock value has increased an average of 13% annually since initial issue in 1992.
  (Note: past performance is no indication of future results)

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OMS Training Tools and Resources

Resident Surgical Log. A robust online system designed for OMS residents to maintain accurate records of their surgical experiences and track accreditation requirements. It contains program-specific faculty and treatment facility information, pertinent codes, and helpful reporting tools. A comprehensive resident user guide is available online. OMSNICase. An online archive of real patient case studies submitted by OMS residents, faculty and clinics for use in teaching seminars, resident rounds and other learning contexts. Review compelling clinical cases, complications and outcomes to evaluate diagnostic and treatment decisions. A $1,000 unrestricted grant will be donated to your residency program if your case is published. Find submission guidelines and a PowerPoint template online.

Online Classes and Live Seminars

The Resident Risk Management Series. Online courses designed specifically for residents because early training in risk management improves practice success. Finish the series before graduation to get an extra insurance discount. Full Access to the OMSNIC e-Learning Center. OMSNIC’s online education is unrivaled, with practical, timely courses and practice resources. Residents and faculty get free access just by signing up. Learn about practice risks, preventative strategies and more.

Transition to Practice

Sign up for the OMSNIC risk management newsletter, which features a Resident Matters column in each issue. Get real-world tips and guidance from the online OMS Legal Desk. OMSNICase. Submit your case studies and receive feedback and advice from practicing OMS who assist OMS residents, faculty and clinicians for use in teaching seminars, resident rounds and other learning contexts. Review compelling clinical cases, complications and outcomes to evaluate diagnostic and treatment decisions. A PowerPoint template online.

Quantifying OMS Risk. Despite years of intense academic and clinical focus, you may not be aware that insurance and risk management can have a big impact on your future. Statistics indicate that nearly one in ten oral and maxillofacial surgeons is sued every year. This means it’s highly likely you will have to defend a lawsuit at least once over the course of your career. Practice Realities. Actual OMS practice is a faster pace than residency, with pressure to manage a heavy volume of patients while skillfully handling patient relationships. The challenge is how to deliver patient-centered care, build a successful practice and protect yourself at the same time. Even highly regarded, experienced OMS have been the target of lawsuits. The Power of 3. A powerful protection program must have three parts: a comprehensive professional liability insurance policy (also called medical malpractice), aggressive defense in the event of a claim, and effective risk management education. Risk management is essential for prevention. Proven techniques for communication and documentation reduce the incidence of lawsuits, and if you do face litigation, good risk management habits can bolster your defense.

OMSGuard™ Insurance Protection, Evolved. OMSGuard is OMSNIC’s proprietary name for the comprehensive claims protection, strong defense and risk management that we design exclusively for oral and maxillofacial surgeons. It is the standard of excellence in nationwide OMS professional liability insurance. OMSGuard has three components: the OMSGuard Professional Liability Policy, OMSGuard Claims Defense, and the OMSGuard Risk Management Program. OMSGuard is overseen by practicing oral and maxillofacial surgeons who fill key roles at OMSNIC as directors and advisors.

Obtaining Insurance. As a new to practice OMS, it is unlikely you will choose your own professional liability insurance. In most cases you will obtain the same coverage as your new practice colleagues. Since OMSNIC insures over 80% of eligible OMS, consider taking our online resident risk management courses before interviewing for a practice position. Many practices treat professional liability insurance as a practice expense, so in addition to valuing your awareness of risk management principles, your new practice will also benefit from your extra premium discount.

Choosing OMSNIC. If you decide to join a practice that is not insured by OMSNIC, we hope that you will, at some future point, be in a position to recommend a change. OMSNIC insurance is available nationwide, and there is no stronger protection program than OMSGuard for oral and maxillofacial surgeons. Only OMSNIC has OMSGuard.

OMS Residents, Faculty and Residency Programs

Valuable Support for OMS Residents and Residency Programs

James D. Swift DDS, Chair of the OMSNIC Board of Directors. Dr. Swift embodies the OMSNIC commitment to OMS resident education. He is a nationally respected OMS and educator who led the Division of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry from 1989 to 2014. He remains on the faculty as a professor. Dr. Swift has educated and mentored generations of oral and maxillofacial surgeons while maintaining a full scope practice. In 2013, he received the prestigious Research Recognition Award from the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Foundation. As Chair, Dr. Swift considers support for OMS residents a priority.

What is OMSNIC, and why was it formed? OMSNIC stands for OMS National Insurance Company, Risk Retention Group. In the mid-1980s, skyrocketing medical malpractice premiums prompted a group of OMS to determine that a risk retention group, a form of professional self-insurance, was the only way to protect the practices of AAOMS members long term. In 1987, the AAOMS House of Delegates approved the concept and formation of OMSNIC.

Over 25 Years Strong. OMSNIC is the leading provider of professional liability insurance to oral and maxillofacial surgeons. Our financial strength is rated A (Exceeds) by A.M. Best, who recently published data showing that risk retention groups consistently outperform commercial insurers.* The OMSGuard Risk Management Program is a key factor in keeping OMSNIC reserves strong, and profits are returned to our members in the form of OMSNIC™ stock appreciation.

Protecting Our Own. OMSNIC’s perspective is uniquely OMS-centric. OMSNIC is operated by oral and maxillofacial surgeons, we know the most effective ways to protect your practice, your reputation and your future. Our founding mission continues to drive us forward, Defending the Specialty. No other insurance company does it better.