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Upcoming Events

Voice of Michigan Physicians Heard at AMA Meeting



Your Michigan Delegation to the American Medical Association (AMA), led by Chair Cathy O. Blight, MD, had a major impact at this year's AMA Annual House of Delegates meeting in Chicago.

Of the 17 Michigan resolutions submitted, 10 were either adopted or adopted as amended/substituted, one was referred, and three were reaffirmed. Michigan's resolutions generated productive discussions on key issues such as health information technology, maintenance of certification, e-cigarettes, student loan repayment and loan forgiveness, and drug pricing, expiration dates and diversion.

As a result of the Delegation's advocacy on the Michigan resolutions, the AMA has new policies and directives related to generic drug pricing, simplification of programs initiated by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, enhancing physicians' ability to review their own prescribing information in Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs, and setting 21 years as the minimum age for purchasing e-cigarettes.

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ER/LA Opioid REMS: Achieving Safe use While Improving Patient Care

October 21, 2015
Somerset Inn - Troy

The Collaborative on REMS Education (CO*RE) has designed a core curriculum based on needs assessment, practice gaps, clinical competencies, learner self-assessment, with shared tools, resources, and outcomes to meet the requirements of the FDA REMS Blueprint.

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This is the Year of Big Change in the Credit Card Processing World...



It's bigger than the introduction of the magnetic stripe on cards way back in the late 1970s and early 80s...

Bigger even than Y2K and the need to upgrade terminals because cards were issued



150th Annual Scientific Meeting

October 20-24, 2015
Somerset Inn - Troy

with year 2000 expiration dates.

What's so big this year is that in October there will be a dramatic shift in the way fraudulent or counterfeit transactions are handled. The shift could bite your practice if you're not prepared.

Today, if your practice accepts a counterfeit card and do everything else correctly, you don't hold any liability for that chargeback. The bank that issued the card is responsible for the loss.

After October first, the loss may be your responsibility.

The reason for this change, known as the "liability shift," is that the card networks (Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express) all have changed their rules to allow for the liability on a counterfeit card, and in some cases a stolen card, to fall to the physician.

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System Dangers: How EHRs Can Contribute to Medical Malpractice Claims

In 2013, The Doctors Company began coding closed claims using 15 electronic health record (EHR) contributing factor codes (for system and user factors) developed by CRICO Strategies and back-coded all claims to 2007. EHR-related claims frequency is increasing. Twenty-six such claims closed in the first two quarters of 2014, 28 claims closed in 2013, 22 closed in 2012, 19 closed in 2011, and two closed between 2007 and 2010. These 97 EHR-related claims that closed from January 2007 through June 2014 are the subject of this analysis.

User factors contributed to 64 percent of these EHR-related claims, and system factors contributed to 42 percent. The following tables and representative claims illustrate how EHR system and user factors contributed to the 97 closed claims. Some claims contained more than one contributing factor.

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MSMS Member Publishes Book

Leadership Lessons From History: A Study Guide Written for Physicians & Other Healthcare Leaders, written by MSMS member Calvin J. Maestro Jr., MD, MBA/HCM, is one part history lesson and one part storytelling. Doctor Maestro combines humor and personal experiences to reveal how even the best of leaders and managers can flub up -- or excel! Although intended for physicians new to leadership roles in this age of team-oriented healthcare management, anyone can benefit from its examples. Presented in no specific order, and often ranging far away from strict medical subjects, the reader can take his or her time to absorb the presented subject matters, be it military or administrative in nature. Now available from AuthorHouse, or you may order this title through your bookseller or on-line retailer.

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978-1-5049-0696-8 (EBOOK ISBN)

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Symposium on Retirement Planning

October 21, 2015
Somerset Inn - Troy

19th Annual Conference on Bioethics: "Ethical Issues in Neonatal and Pediatric Care"

November 13-14, 2015
Sheraton Hotel - Ann Arbor

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