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Upcoming Events

NCQA Expands the Medical Neighborhood



The National Committee on Quality Assurance (NCQA) launched a new recognition program for practices that provide outpatient care or treat acute or episodic illness, but are not primary or specialty care providers. The new program, Patient-

Centered Connected Care[™] (PCCC), will allow retail clinics, onsite employee health clinics, urgent care centers, school-based clinics, physical therapy, podiatry, optometry, and chiropractic providers to increase communication and connection with primary care in order to fit into the medical home "neighborhood."

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Timely Topics & Flexible Schedule - Why You Shouldn't Miss the 150th Annual Scientific Meeting



Physicians of all specialties, residents, students, nurses, and all other health care professionals are invited to participate in the MSMS Foundation's 150th Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM), Tuesday, October 20 - Saturday, October 24, at the Somerset Inn in Troy. Take

this opportunity to learn about the cutting-edge clinical advances from local and national experts, catch up with colleagues while attending special events, and see the latest innovations from medical industry vendors.



Opioids and Michigan Workers' Compensation Webinar

August 12, 2015
 12:15 - 1:00 PM

No cost, but registration is required

The State of Michigan Workers' Compensation Agency is pleased to have the opportunity to discuss the new Michigan Workers' Compensation reimbursement rules related to chronic opioid use. This section of the webinar will provide practitioners with a thorough understanding of the new opioid reimbursement rules and their impact on providers who treat injured workers.

Topics include:

- The history of the rule
- Understanding the definition of "chronic" in relation to the rule
- Explanation of required documentation for reimbursement of



[Learn more, review the schedule & register online >>](#)

What Women Should Know about the Michigan Breast Density Notification Law: Primary Care Provider Education Modules Available



Earlier this summer, the [Michigan Breast Density Notification Law](#) went into effect as a result of Public Act 517 of 2014. Because of the law, all women who undergo mammography in Michigan will receive a letter from the facility where they received their mammogram describing

their breast density and mammogram results in order to raise awareness of breast cancer risks.

While mammograms remain the gold standard for detecting breast tumors, they're less reliable in women with dense breast tissue. Dense or fibrous tissue shows up as splotches of white on a mammogram, as do tumors.

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Medicare, Medicaid Turn 50: Taking a Look at Their Past and Future

About one in every three Americans has health coverage under Medicare or

- treatment for chronic, non-cancer pain with opioids
- Review of new billing codes that allow for practitioner reimbursement for additional services being provided
- Familiarizing the practitioner with the State of Michigan Workers' Compensation Agency website for additional opioid resource materials and forms

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Medicaid, and the number of people with coverage under the programs is expected to increase in the next decade. On the 50th anniversary of these two programs, learn about their pasts and what's in store for the future.

President Lyndon B. Johnson signed both programs into law in 1965. Prior to the launch of Medicare, roughly one-half of older adults in the United States lacked health insurance, but after its launch, coverage became nearly universal. Today, Medicaid covers nearly one-half of all births.

Almost overnight, Medicare and Medicaid became the core of the nation's public health insurance system. Together these programs serve more than 100 million of the nation's most vulnerable patients -- low-income children and families, people with disabilities and the elderly.

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