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NEW Staff

CMS Meaningful Use Hardship Exemptions for 2016

CMS is now accepting hardship exceptions from meaningful use requirements of the EHR incentive payment program for the 2016 reporting year. The deadline to apply is July 1, 2017. You can also apply for 2017 Eligible Professionals Transitioning to MIPS Hardship, and deadline for this submission is October 1, 2017. Learn more: https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/EHRIncentivePrograms/PaymentAdj_Hardship.html

The New Medicare Reimbursement & Regulatory Landscape

Did you miss the presentation by Elizabeth McNeil, VP, Center for Federal Government Relations, CMA, on how independent physicians can maintain effective, viable practices in the face of changing government regulations? For copies of the program slides, go to: <http://physicianresourcecenter.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/The-New-Medicare-Reimbursement-Regulatory-Landscape.pdf>

Physician Bulletin Board

We're building our newest website feature – the *Physician Bulletin Board*. If you want to post an employment opportunity or space available, contact us to add it to the bulletin board.

- Part-time PA – pain management, orthopaedic practice
- Part-time NP – primary care practice, orthopaedic practice
- Full-time or Part-time PA – workers' comp-focused orthopaedic practice
- Full-time PA – cardiology practice
- Orthopaedic surgeon – workers' comp-focused practice
- Occupational Medicine MD – workers' comp-focused practice
- Cardiologist completing fellowship – looking for IM/cardiology practice to join in San Diego
- Office space – Looking for office space to sub-let, 1 day/week, in Hillcrest
- Office space available for sub-lease – Monday & Friday, lobby, 2 exam rooms, in Hillcrest

Contact Physician Partners for more information on any of these opportunities.

Scripps ACO

Open enrollment for participation in the Scripps ACO for calendar year 2018 (Medicare payment year 2020) will be held in late June and early July. Stay tuned for more information, or contact Cynthia Gipson at Scripps, Gipson.Cynthia@scrippshealth.org.

Scripps AMG

- **Website traffic continues to increase!** In April, over 900 phone calls were made to physician members' offices from visitors to the Scripps AMG website. We're very excited to provide your practice this valuable member benefit.
- Our Spanish-language patient outreach will begin soon. MDs who have identified as Spanish-speaking will be featured, along with Spanish translations of all information pages.

Senior Wellness Society – A New Way to Reach out to Your Patients

Are you interested in offering your senior patients access to a monthly wellness newsletter, free Medicare help, and a comprehensive list of San Diego senior resources? Upcoming senior events include *Vital Aging, Liberty Station, June 2*, and *Oasis New Location Grand Opening, June 7*. Learn more → beth@partnersdocs.com

Education & Networking Events

- **South Bay Practice Luncheon** – Thurs, June 15, 2017 12:15 – 1:30 p.m., Scripps Mercy Hospital Chula Vista, Hospitalist Conference Room (1st Fl.)
- **Future-Proof Your Practice: Mastering MIPS and More**, presented by athenahealth – Webinar, Wed, June 21, 12:15 p.m.
- **MIPS 2017 – What to Do, When to Start**, by Natalie Nelson – Webinar, Wed, June 28, 12:15 p.m.
RSVP 619-359-6600

(Find past webinars and other useful information at physicianresourcecenter.com)

Bottom Line Solutions from our Physician Resource Center

- **Chronic Care Management LLC** – We welcome the newest member of the Physician Resource Center, providing services that enable practices to generate new revenue and increase patient satisfaction.

Physician Updates

- Dr. William Previte moved to 5395 Ruffin Rd., #202, San Diego Ph: 858-650-3030
- AllSafe Medical Group (Drs. Ayman Alladawi, Maria Castillo, Marsha Martinson) has opened a 2nd office at 7930 Frost St., #103, San Diego Ph: 858-565-8100