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**Good News –**

- Our membership count, as of the end of December, is 683 physician members!
- Congratulations to Dr. Ted Mazer, incoming president of the California Medical Association. Read the article here: <http://physicianresourcecenter.com/dr-ted-mazer-faces-big-changes-as-cma-president-elect/>

**Regulatory Updates**

It's time to review and train staff on the Fraud, Waste and Abuse regulations from Medicare. You can go to the Medicare website [https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNProducts/Downloads/Fraud\\_and\\_Abuse.pdf](https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNProducts/Downloads/Fraud_and_Abuse.pdf), or you can find the same FWA training on our Physician Resource Center website: <http://physicianresourcecenter.com/fraud-waste-and-abuse-training-2016>

**NEW Stuff**

**Scripps ACO**

We're pleased to announce that Scripps ACO has been accepted as an MSSP, Track 3, by Medicare. The ACO Board will be communicating with all participating physicians in January with next steps.

**Chronic Care Management (CCM)**

CMS rewards physicians for managing Medicare patients with 2 or more chronic conditions. Learn how working with Renova can help your practice meet requirements under new legislation, stay compliant, and generate new income without the need for additional office resources or upfront costs. Contact: [beth@partnersdocs.com](mailto:beth@partnersdocs.com).

**Scripps Affiliated Medical Groups – Physician Benefits!**

Comprehensive Digital Marketing for your medical practice is included in your Physician Partners membership dues! Over 5,000 visitors are hitting the website every month! Check your profile: [scrippsamg.com](http://scrippsamg.com)

Other technology benefits include a free patient health app, Health Gorilla-Clinical Connectivity to LabCorp, Quest, Imaging Healthcare, & Scripps Labs.

**Education & Networking Events**

1. ***PQRS 2016*** – Webinar, Wed, Jan 4, 12:15 p.m. (Having trouble using the Partners coupon? Contact us for help before you submit!) Submission deadline using the registry method is March 3, 2017.
2. ***Preparing for Your 2016 Tax Filing, by Paragon Accountants*** – Webinar, Wed, Jan 11, 12:15 p.m.
3. ***Administrator Lunch, North County*** – Thurs, Jan. 19, Scripps Corporate, La Jolla (Santa Fe room)  
**RSVP 619-359-6600**

**Missed a Webinar – Want More Info?**

You can find past webinars and other useful information at [physicianresourcecenter.com](http://physicianresourcecenter.com)

**Payer Updates**

- Multiplan sent a letter to all physicians regarding reimbursement changes – please disregard. There is no change to your reimbursement if you are contracted with Multiplan through Physician Partners.
- Make sure to inform us if you move or change phone and fax numbers. We update the payers monthly.
- Do you perform acupuncture services in your office? St. Paul's PACE is looking for practices that provide these services for their senior patients.

**Bottom Line Solutions from our Physician Resource Center**

- **Doctible** – Our newest member offers practices help with establishing a strong digital footprint, positive patient ratings, and tools to help automate manual tasks in your practice.

**Physician Updates**

- Congratulations to **Dr. Kevin Haynes**, retiring after 26 years of gastroenterology practice at Scripps Mercy Hospital.
- **Dr. William Previte** is relocating to 5395 Ruffin Rd., Ste 102, San Diego, 92123 Ph: 858-650-3030
- Office Furniture & Medical Office Equipment for Sale, call 619-263-9729 – leave a message for Pam
- **Note: Our office will be closed intermittently throughout the holidays. Please leave a message – we'll return your call promptly upon our return.**

**Welcome 7 New Members**

Welcome our new members: **Dr. Michael Gibson** (Radiology, San Diego), **Dr. Shashita Inamdar** (Psychiatry, Sorrento Valley), **Dr. Kristen Richards** (Dermatology, La Jolla), **Dr. Gautam Shah** (Hospitalist, Encinitas), **Dr. Manish Sheth** (Psychiatry, Sorrento Valley), **Dr. Amy Tran** (Hospitalist, Encinitas) and **Dr. Katrina Woodhall** (Dermatology, Hillcrest).

*Happy Holidays from Physician Partners!*

*Physician Partners mission is to improve patient access by increasing the viability of physician practices.*