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Good News –

CIGNA reimbursement rates for Physician Partners increase on March 1.

NEW Stuff

Looking for a Physician Associate?

We're here to help you! Let us know if you're looking for a new associate for your practice.

Telemedicine Pilot

Physician Partners is introducing a 90-day telemedicine pilot program for certain specialties. If you are a Dermatologist, ENT, Allergist, Psychiatrist, Pediatrician or Primary Care/Urgent Care physician, and you're interested in exploring the option of telemedicine with your patients, please contact Dustin@partnersdocs.com

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.

Scripps AMG

- **Clinical Integration newsletter** – Stay tuned for our 1st CI newsletter, coming in early March. You'll receive updates on new data accessible from LabCorp, Scripps Health and Imaging Healthcare via Health Gorilla's no-cost data marketplace.
- **Health Gorilla Training Guide** and virtual training sessions for you & your staff will be available in March. Contact ashley@partnersdocs.com

Senior Wellness Society

We're expanding our patient letter campaign to all Partners members with patients turning 65. The letters provide info about Medicare enrollment options and ways to stay in network with current physicians. Let us know if you're interested in participating in this no-cost outreach program. beth@partnersdocs.com

Education & Networking Events

1. **Physician Mixer! Meet our Renova representative and learn about Chronic Care Management**
Thurs, Feb. 23, 5:30 p.m., Scripps Mercy Surgery Pavilion
2. **Scripps AMG Practice Marketing** – Webinar, Wed, March 1, 12:15 p.m.
3. **Project-Based Internships to Benefit Practices, by National University** – Webinar, Wed, March 8, 12:15 p.m.
4. **Improve Collections & Reduce Credit Card Processing Fees, by Capital BankCard** - Webinar, Wed, March 15, 12:15 p.m.
5. **Chronic Care Management, by Renova** – Webinar, March 22, 12:15 p.m.
6. **Athenahealth dinner** – Tues, March 14, 6:00-8:00 p.m., US Grant Hotel, RSVP
RSVP 619-359-6600

Missed a Webinar – Want More Info?

You can find past webinars and other useful information at physicianresourcecenter.com

Payer Updates

- The Physician Partners CIGNA reimbursement schedule increases effective 3/1/17. Contact us if you haven't received your Option Form to accept this increase.
- New Medicare reimbursement, and New service area 72 (San Diego-Carlsbad), effective Jan. 1.

Bottom Line Solutions from our Physician Resource Center

- **BCS (Business Complete Solutions)** – Our newest member offers office equipment and workflow analysis solutions for medical practices.
- **Doctible** – Manage your digital footprint and maximize patient satisfaction.

Physician Updates

- Congratulations to Dr. Peter Wile, who retired on Jan. 31 after an exceptional 35-year career as an orthopaedic surgeon.
- Dr. Carlos Chacon is practicing only in Bonita, 180 Otay Lakes Rd., Bonita Ph: 858-633-7546
- Dr. Teresa O'Dea has joined Point Loma Pediatrics, Ph: 619-222-1253
- Dr. Ian Purcell has opened a 2nd office at 7625 Mesa College Dr., #200A, San Diego Ph: 619-810-1241
- Comprehensive Dermatology (Drs Gigler, Cunningham, Busch & Stirling) are moving to 781 Garden View Ct., #201, Encinitas Ph: 760-634-3376

Welcome New Members

Welcome our new members: **Dr. Shinko Lin** (Dermatology, Carmel Valley), **Dr. Patricia Lutfy** (Physical Medicine & Rehab, Mission Valley), **Dr. Trek Lyons** (Sports Medicine, Carlsbad), and **Dr.. Sepi Mahooti** (Pathology, Sorrento Valley).

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