

# Medical Society of Delaware

## Physicians Advocacy Program

### ➤ BROADCAST FAX ◀

TO: PHYSICIANS AND OFFICE STAFF

DATE: October 6, 2011

Please copy and distribute to all office staff:

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#### Medicaid Will Require Provider Disclosure Statements in 2012

Effective January 1, 2012, all physicians enrolled with the Delaware Medicaid program will need to submit their annual Provider Disclosure Statement. The form must be submitted online via the Delaware Medical Assistance Program website. The form must be submitted prior to February 4, 2012, or physicians will not be able to participate in the Medicaid program. Please call HP Provider Relations at 800-999-3371 with questions.

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#### Primary Care Incentive Payment Program Remittance Will Change

Payments under the Primary Care Incentive Payment Program (PCIP) are often electronic, followed-up with a paper report called the Special Incentive Remittance. The remittance is detailed, identifying all of the PCIP-eligible services for the previous quarter from which the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) calculated the PCIP bonus payment. In 2012, the remittance will be modified to include a summary statement, sorted by practitioner and incentive.

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#### Evaluation and Management Forum

Highmark Medicare Services will offer "Fall Harvest of Evaluation and Management Services," a free full day forum held during October and November, focusing on proper billing and coding tools. The sessions will be held at various locations including Lawrenceville, New Jersey on October 25, 2011, and in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania on November 1, 2011. Both sessions are from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please see [www.highmarkmedicareservices.com/calendar/partb/ws-fall-em.html](http://www.highmarkmedicareservices.com/calendar/partb/ws-fall-em.html) for more information and to register.

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#### Medicare Calls

**SECONDARY PAYER BASICS** – Highmark Medicare Services will host a teleconference on the Medicare Secondary Payer Basics at 9 a.m. October 10. The teleconference will also be repeated at 1 p.m. October 13. Handout materials and registration are now available at <https://www.highmarkmedicareservices.com/calendar/partb/teleconferences.html>.

**PHYSICIAN QUALITY REPORTING SYSTEM & ELECTRONIC PRESCRIBING INCENTIVE PROGRAM** – The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) will host a National Provider Call on the Physician Reporting System and Electronic Prescribing Incentive Program from 1:30 to 3 p.m. on Tuesday, October 18. A question and answer session will follow the presentation. To register, please visit [www.eventsvc.com/blhtechnologies](http://www.eventsvc.com/blhtechnologies).

**REVALIDATION – SAVE THE DATE** – CMS will host a National Provider Call from 12:30 to 2 p.m. on Thursday, October 27, 2011, to discuss the revalidation of Medicare physician enrollment information. Most physicians enrolled in the Medicare program will have to revalidate their enrollment, which will be reviewed under new risk screening criteria required by the Affordable Care Act. The call will explain what to expect and how to prepare for the process. Call-in information will be provided soon.

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#### Vaccinate Early to Protect Against the Flu

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends a yearly flu vaccination as the first and most important step in protecting against flu viruses. Remind your patients that annual vaccination is recommended for optimal protection. Medicare Part B pays for the flu vaccine and its administration for seniors and other Medicare beneficiaries with no co-pay or deductible. Take advantage of each office visit and start protecting your patients as soon as your 2011-2012 seasonal flu vaccine arrives. And don't forget to immunize yourself and your staff. Get the Vaccination – Not the Flu.

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#### Registration Reminder

MSD members, please plan to participate in the Medical Society of Delaware's 222<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting and Inaugural Dinner Dance Saturday, October 22, 2011. The Annual meeting will be held at the MSD Building and Conference Center, while the Dinner Dance will be held at the Wilmington Country Club. **The deadline to register for the events is Friday, October 7.** See [www.MedicalSocietyofDelaware.org](http://www.MedicalSocietyofDelaware.org) for information and to register.

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