

MORNING CMO REPORT

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New York State Pain Management Requirement for DEA

[Applies to All Physicians](#)

NYS Pain Mgmt
Informational

New York has mandated that by July 1, 2017, every person licensed under Title Eight of the Education Law (physicians and other health professionals) and registered under the Federal Controlled Substances act and in possession of a DEA registration number, and every medical resident who is prescribing under a facility DEA registration number shall complete three hours of course work or training in eight clinical areas related to pain management, palliative care, and addiction as approved by the Department of Health. This training **MUST** be completed **on or before July 1** and then again once within each three year period thereafter.

Specific elements contained within the 3-hour educational course:

1. State and Federal laws on the prescribing of controlled substances
2. Pain Management
3. Appropriate Prescribing
4. Managing Acute Pain
5. Palliative Medicine
6. Prevention/Screening/Signs of Addiction
7. Responses to Abuse and Addiction
8. End of Life Care

There are a few courses that meet these requirements. In the weeks ahead I may be sending notification about these various options.

Commissioner's Medical Grand Rounds

[Applies to All Physicians](#)

Baby Boomer Health: Undiagnosed conditions of persons born between 1945 and 1965

Grand Rounds
Informational

Please be advised Commissioner Zucker will be speaking at Medical Grand Rounds on Tuesday, March 21, 2017, from 7:30 – 9:00 am in the Medical Alumni Auditorium, Weiskotten Hall.

The intent of this program is to inform clinicians of conditions often undiagnosed among baby boomers: hepatitis C, hypertension and prediabetes. Presenters will discuss the NYS Hepatitis C Testing Law, steps to identifying undiagnosed hypertension and screening and treatment options for prediabetes. Please consider attending this talk if at all possible.

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Inpatient Only Procedures

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Procedures
Informational

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) requires certain procedures to be classified as Inpatient. Related to this, effective March 13, 2017, a new Best Practice Advisory (BPA) will fire within Epic for certain surgical procedures. This BPA will fire in the patient's chart if the patient has had a procedure required to be Inpatient, but was admitted under a Patient Class of something other than Inpatient/Surgical Admit. The BPA message will state: *"This patient had a procedure that Medicare and Medicaid has determined to be "Inpatient Only" for hospital billing purposes and therefore MUST be billed as inpatient. Please review your orders; the patient must have an Admit to Inpatient order."*

If the patient does not have the Admit Patient to Inpatient order, this will have implications at the time of billing, and the hospital will not be reimbursed for the services provided. The BPA allows you to place the Admit Patient to Inpatient order immediately. More information can be found at this link:

http://web.upstate.edu/epic/documents/intra/bpa_for_specific_procedures_re_patient_class_upstate_system_update_bulletin.pdf

If you have any questions about these new requirements, please contact Tom Edwards, Financial Services at 464-8052.

Medicare Outpatient Observation Notice (MOON)

Applies to All Physicians

MOON
Informational

Both Medicare beneficiaries and providers have certain rights and protections related to financial liability under the Fee-for-Service (FFS) Medicare and the Medicare Advantage (MA) Programs. These financial liability and appeal rights and protections are communicated to beneficiaries through notices given by providers. Effective March 8th providers are required to give notice to beneficiaries if their hospital stay qualifies as an Observation level of care. This notice is done via a Medicare Outpatient Observation Notice or "MOON".

What this means to you is that effective Thursday, March 9th, there will a new item on the Observation Order called "**Common Observation Care Options**".

Within this item you will select one or more options that apply to this patient's observation; i.e. the reason they are not an inpatient:

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- Limited Course of Clinical Treatment
- Limited Period of Monitoring
- Limited Diagnostic Testing

If you have any questions about these new requirements, please contact Kaniesha Mason, Patient Access Services, at 464-3967.

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Commissioner's Medical Grand Rounds

Partners:
Albany School of Public Health
Medical Society of the State of New York (MSSNY)
New York Chapter of the American College of Physicians (ACP)
Empire State Physicians
Nurse Practitioner Association
New York State Society of Physician Assistants (NYSSPA)
New York State Osteopathic Medical Society (NYSOMS)
Associated Medical Schools of New York (AMSNY)

Baby Boomer Health

Undiagnosed conditions of persons born between 1945 and 1965

Tuesday, March 21st, 2017, 7:30 – 9 am
SUNY Upstate, Medical Alumni Auditorium, Weiskotten Hall
766 Irving Ave., Syracuse, N.Y., 13210

The intent of this program is to inform clinicians of conditions often undiagnosed among baby boomers: hepatitis C, hypertension and prediabetes. Presenters will discuss the NYS Hepatitis C Testing Law, steps to identifying undiagnosed hypertension and screening and treatment options for prediabetes.

Host: **Howard A Zucker, MD, JD**
Commissioner, New York State Department of Health

Introduction: **Danielle Laraque-Arena, MD, FAAP**
President of SUNY Upstate Medical University

Presenters: **David Bernstein, MD, FAASLD, FAGG, AGAF, FACP**
Chief of Hepatology and Director, Sandra Atlas Bass Center
for Liver Diseases, Northwell Health
Professor of Medicine, Hofstra-Northwell School of Medicine

Bob Morrow, MD
Associate Clinical Professor-Department of Family and Social Medicine
Associate Director of Interventional CME-Center for CME
Albert Einstein College of Medicine

Sophia McIntyre, MD, MPH, MBA, FAAFP, CPE
Chief of Clinical Quality and Physician Leadership Development
Hudson River HealthCare, Inc.

The Grand Rounds Program is free of charge for all providers in NYS. Advance registration is requested.

Please click [HERE](#) to register to attend in-person or via the live webinar.

A recording of this session will be available for viewing and CME credit on the NYSDOH website.

Continuing Medical Education*

The School of Public Health, University at Albany is accredited by the Medical Society of the State of New York (MSSNY) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The School of Public Health, University at Albany designates this live activity for a maximum of 1 **AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.



1ST ANNUAL PATIENT QUALITY AND SAFETY CONFERENCE

Thursday, March 16, 2017

Downtown: New Academic Building Room 4144B/C
Community: Conference Room A&B – Room 0256

9:00-10:00 Helen Haskell - Mothers Against Medical Errors
10:15-11:15 Drs. Ajeet Gajra & Silviu Pasniciuc –
Palliative Care: A Field in Evolution
11:30-12:00 Dr. Mitchell Brodey - Immunizations
12:00-12:30 Dr. Waleed Javaid - Hand Hygiene
12:30-1:30 Lunch with Laura Franckowiak - Press Ganey
1:45-2:45 Dr. Thomas Schwartz - Opioid Addiction
3:00-4:00 Dr. Mickey Lebowitz - Physician Burnout

Conference Description:

This comprehensive conference has been designed for physicians, nurses, nurse mid-wives, nurse practitioners, residents, physician assistants and students. Our conference will integrate current clinical research with case studies for content reinforcement. The conference is comprehensive and dynamic, and will include controversial issues related to culture, addiction, burn out, and end of life care. These topics were chosen based on a variety of sources which include data outcomes of Upstate Medical University.

Conference Faculty:

Anthony Weiss, MD – Chief Medical Officer
Hans Cassagnol, MD – Chief Quality Officer (conference co-chair)
Julie Briggs, RN, MSN, CPHQ – Patient Safety Officer (conference co-chair)
Michele Nolan Bell, RN, BS – Assistant Director of Quality
Amy Wagner – Senior Staff Associate

Presented by: Upstate University Hospital's Medical Quality Department

For more information, please contact Julie Briggs at BriggsJ@upstate.edu