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About that April showers bring flowers thing...



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PRESCRIBING for the GERIATRIC POPULATION:

AGS Updated Beers Criteria 2015

Mark A. Jackson, MD, Medical Director for Post-acute and Long-term Care at Indigo Health Partners, will be presenting the new Beers Criteria recommendations for the use of medications in the elderly at the Friday Noon Conference at Munson Medical Center on April 22nd. The conference will be

broadcast live via GoToWebinar and participants will receive one CME credit. You might consider participating as a group...

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IMPORTANT (and Interesting) IT Information!

- **New Consent Form** - We have recently made some updates to our consent form the eEHX connected practices have patients sign. The new consent document more thoroughly reflects our status as a Health Information Exchange in Michigan and how that relates to the consent. It also clarifies some regulatory requirements on sharing patient information. That said, we did manage to keep the document on one page! [CLICK FOR CONSENT FORM](#)
- **Syndromic Surveillance Reporting & Meaningful Use for non-urgent care EEPs in 2016** - Recent updates to Meaningful Use and new CMS FAQs have led to modifications in syndromic surveillance reporting to MSSS. Please click [HERE](#) for important information.
- **We have heard** that some practices are experiencing issues with NDC failures in eClinicalWorks. For documents from eCW on how to resolve them, please [CLICK HERE](#), and [ALSO HERE](#).

Just a reminder to practices that are currently receiving ADT notifications from NPO's HIE (health information exchange) - for NPO to receive and route ADT (hospital Admit, Discharge, and Transfer) notices to you, the last four digit's a patient's SSN need to be included in your EMR. While, for many practices, this is not a particularly challenging issue (even if you are not actively collecting such data), we are aware that it is a challenge for pediatric practices. We are interested in hearing any strategies or workflow processes that practices have implemented to collect such SSN's for pediatric populations. If you have any information that you are willing to share, please reach out to Jennifer Kies (jkies@npoinc.org).

SAVE THE DATE!
PAHCOM - Traverse City Seminar & Vendor Fair

Date: Friday, May 20, 2016
Time: 8am-4pm

Location: Hagerty Center
715 E. Front Street
Traverse City, MI 49686

Members.....\$50 | **\$10 early-bird discount for payments/registrations**
Non Members.....\$80 | **received before Friday, April 15th.**

Register online www.pahcom.com/chapters/chapter_store.php?id=M101

Full seminar topics and agenda to follow.

Tracy Spears - Keynote Speaker

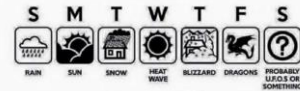
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**No WAIT..Cold again,
OH THERE IT IS, NOPE.COLD.**

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