

# NEWS & NOTES FROM NPO



NORTHERN  
PHYSICIANS  
ORGANIZATION

May

12, 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>May 2015</b>					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17					22	23
24					29	30
31					May 12 International Nurses Day National Nutty Fudge Day Limerick Day Odometer Day	

May 2015 Calendar



## M-CEITA CALLS

Mark your calendars - our next M-CEITA call is WEDNESDAY, 6/3/15 at 12:00! This is a one hour session, offering you the opportunity to ask M-CEITA whatever Meaningful Use questions you have. M-CEITA will answer the question, or research and follow-up as necessary. If you can't make the call, you can email your question



to NPO in advance ([bpataky@npoinc.org](mailto:bpataky@npoinc.org)) and it will be included in the session.  
\*These calls will be via Go To Meeting, as we have had requests for projections.

The schedule for our M-CEITA call series is as follows:

Wednesday 6/3/15 at 12:00 pm  
Wednesday 7/1/15 at 12:00 pm  
Wednesday 8/5/15 at 12:00 pm  
Wednesday 9/2/15 at 12:00 pm  
Wednesday 10/7/15 at 12:00 pm  
Wednesday 11/4/15 at 12:00 pm  
Wednesday 12/2/15 at 12:00 pm

\* We will be scheduling a second call for October, November, and December.

**YOU MAY REVIEW A SUMMARY OF THE LATEST CALL [HERE](#)**

Again, the next call is Wednesday June 3rd at noon -

Dial-in information is:

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone.

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/490727629>

You can also dial in using your phone.

United States (Long distance): +1 (646) 749-3131

Access Code: 490-727-629

We look forward to your questions!

**CME's & a new App!**

*Get Continuing Medical Education credits, and a new mobile app from The Michigan Anticoagulation Quality Improvement Initiative!*

**[Click here for details!](#)**





**Dear Provider,**

The Payers Collaboration, a consortium of health insurers, has joined together to aid physicians and other health care providers in the transition to the ICD-10 code sets. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has mandated Oct.1, 2015, as the date to switch from the ICD-9 to ICD-10 diagnosis and inpatient procedure codes.

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, Health Alliance Plan (HAP), Humana, Priority Health and United HealthCare have combined resources to offer valuable information to the provider community. Transitioning to ICD-10 does not have to be overly costly or burdensome. The Payers Collaboration has planned a series of hour-long ICD-10 educational webinars by specialty every other Thursday at noon Eastern time. Each webinar will present an ICD-10 overview along with tips for documentation and coding by specialty. The next webinars available in May are listed below at no charge.

- **ICD-10 Webinar on Psychiatry, Clinical Psychology and Psychology on 5/14/2015, noon-1pm. To register for this session, Click [HERE](#).**
- **ICD-10 Webinar on Occupation Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy and Physical Medicine Rehabilitation on 5/28/2015, noon-1pm. To register for this session, Click [HERE](#).**

Among the benefits of the webinars:

- Drill down into diagnosis codes common to specialties and see how they are affected by ICD-10.
- Suggested transition checklists help minimize disruption in the move to ICD-10.
- Free ICD-10 testing options offered to help assess coding proficiency.
- Confidence that the payers will be prepared to handle ICD-10 coded claims and encounters on Oct. 1, 2015.

CME and CEU credits are not offered for these webinars. Space is limited.

Also, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan will host an ICD-10 webinar for all professional providers:

- **BCBSM ICD-10 Michigan Mondays - "Helpful Hints for the ICD-10 Transition" on Monday, May 18th 20, from 1-2 pm, Eastern Time. To register for this session, Click [HERE](#).**

Send an email to [ICD-10providerreadiness@bcbsm.com](mailto:ICD-10providerreadiness@bcbsm.com) if:

- You would like us to cover a specific topic in a future webinar or you have questions related to ICD-10
- Your organization would like to participate in a future webinar
- You're having issues with the link above or logging into the call

**Professional testing**

Blue Cross is offering a medical-scenario-based, professional testing tool for providers or for facilities that are billing for professionals. This testing will help the professional with hands-on ICD-10 coding practice that represents high-volume claims by specialty that they are most likely to encounter.

- The testing tool will continue to be available through the ICD-10 implementation on October 1, 2015
- Testing is done through the Web; no special software or lengthy test requirements are needed.
- It is "content based" and "specialty specific," which means that providers will be presented with several medical scenarios to code in ICD-10. Providers can register for more than one specialty.
- Blue Cross will provide a peer group report of the codes selected for the same scenario.
- Registration Link to the Professional testing tool:  
<http://bcbsmicd10providerregistry.highpoint-solutions.com>



*We recommend that the people completing the tests have familiarity with the ICD-10 code set and that they either have a code book or other needed references or tools to complete this testing.*

### **2016 Hardship Exception Application Now Available**

This hardship is for providers who did not achieve Meaningful Use in 2014 to avoid the 2016 Medicare payment penalty (2% reduction on Medicare reimbursements). The multi-EP application and instructions, as well as the single EP application can be found [HERE](#).



### ***MEMBER CONNECTIONS***

**Northern Vision Eye Care** is seeking a full time front desk receptionist/scheduler for our expanding practice. Prior medical office experience preferred, excellent computers skills a must. Interested candidate may email resume to [kerri@nvec.biz](mailto:kerri@nvec.biz), or fax to 231-932-9156.

**Seeking Full-Time Certified Medical Assistant for busy Otolaryngology and Allergy office.** 1-2 years' experience in a medical office required, proficiency in Electronic Medical Records preferred. Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

Rooming patients, obtaining and recording vitals, reviewing, asking and documenting past and current medical history, reviewing preoperative paperwork with patients, preparing instruments and assisting with procedures, obtaining prior authorizations for testing and scheduling medical testing for patients, performing injections, reading allergy injections, responding to nurse/MA triage calls and medication refills.

*Expectations:*

- Ensures customer satisfaction,*
- Excels at multi-tasking*
- Determines priority and distinguishes between critical and non-critical information for problem resolution*
- Maintains accountability*
- Reprioritizes quickly to accommodate unexpected demands*

**Christina Melville**



**Administrative Assistant**  
**Cass Street Ear, Nose & Throat P.C.**  
**1104 Cass Street**  
**Traverse City, MI 49684**  
**Phone (231) 941-1155**  
**Fax (231) 941-1347**

**Leelanau Urgent Care & Internal Medicine**

PT Front Desk/Receptionist needed.  
EMR and medical office experience preferred.

Submit resume and cover letter to:

Janice Lemak, RN  
Practice Administrator  
650 S West Bay Shore Dr  
Suttons Bay, MI 49682  
Tel: 231-271-6511  
Fax: 231-271-6519  
Email: [jlemak@leeurgcare.com](mailto:jlemak@leeurgcare.com)

**Full time Medical Assistant** needed at Munson Family Practice. Position is for check-in and out.  
Please apply online at [munsonhealthcare.org](http://munsonhealthcare.org)

**The Walk-In Clinic/Partners in Health** is currently seeking an energetic and enthusiastic full-time PA or NP. Must have exceptional bed side manner and clinical skills. Qualified candidates will have 1-3 years experience as a PA/NP with demonstration of quality care in an urgent care and/or family practice. Experience using an EHR (eClinicalworks preferred) and MS office expected. Formal Physician Assistant training or Nurse Practitioner training from an accredited program with NCCPA or CNP certification. Please send letter of interest and CV to [resumesfortwicorpih@gmail.com](mailto:resumesfortwicorpih@gmail.com).

**Mid-level provider (PA or NP) wanted for small Family Practice office.** Part-time, 24 hours/week. 2 days/week of patient care including acute visits and Medicare Annual Wellness visits plus 1 day/week Pay for Performance Program and Patient Centered Medical Home Initiatives. eClinical Works EMR experience preferred but will train the right person. Our patients appreciate quality care provided in a small office. Benefits include paid vacation, holidays and CME allowance as well as 401K IRA. Please see our website for practice information [cherrybendfamilycare.com](http://cherrybendfamilycare.com). Email letter of interest and resume to [madiganl@msu.edu](mailto:madiganl@msu.edu) or fax to 231.929.7934.

**Medical Assistant Back with some Front Office Duties as well.**

**Northshore Rehab PLLC**

PART TIME (2-4 days per week) medical office position available for an individual who is able to multi-task between the front office clerical duties as well as back office clinical duties. Responsibilities to include the following: rooming patients, taking vitals, entering pertinent patient medical history/medications into the EMR. Check patients in/out, scanning documents into the EMR, answering the phones, making appointments. This position requires knowledge of the medical office and medical terminology. Previous medical office experience a plus.  
Please send resume to [jobapplicant901@gmail.com](mailto:jobapplicant901@gmail.com) or fax to 231-947-5094

**Bay View Obstetrics & Gynecology -**

Position available for a Medical Assistant:

Medical Assistant/Nurse

30-40 hours per week, full time benefits, working with a physician in 5 physician OB/GYN practice.



Please submit resume' and cover letter to:  
Julie Hopkins, Practice Manager  
Bay View Obstetrics & Gynecology, P.C.  
560 West Mitchell St., Suite 210  
Petoskey, MI. 49770  
Office Phone: 231-487-2340  
Fax: 231-487-2115  
Email: [jhopkins@bayviewob.com](mailto:jhopkins@bayviewob.com)

**MEDICAL ASSISTANT OPPORTUNITY** - Family Physician Office expanding medical team. [Click here for info.](#)

~~~~~

*We are very happy to include postings in our news blasts - for career opportunities, office space, equipment for sale, etc. Please email [lsalvatore@npoinc.org](mailto:lsalvatore@npoinc.org) with your ad. We also ask that you inform us as soon as it is no longer current. Thanks!*

## Quick Links...

[NPO Website](#)  
[NMHN Website](#)

[NPO CALENDAR](#)



**May 12th is a VERY busy day! Today we celebrate:**





**International Nurses Day (during NATIONAL Nurses Month!)**



**National Nutty Fudge Day!!**



**National Limerick Day ! (There once was a man from Nantucket...)**

And, last but certainly the most random,



**National ODOMETER Day! (Give your odometer some love - take it out to dinner...)**



**As always,**

[lsalvatore@npoinc.org](mailto:lsalvatore@npoinc.org)

300 E. Front Et.  
Suite 240, Traverse City, MI 49684