

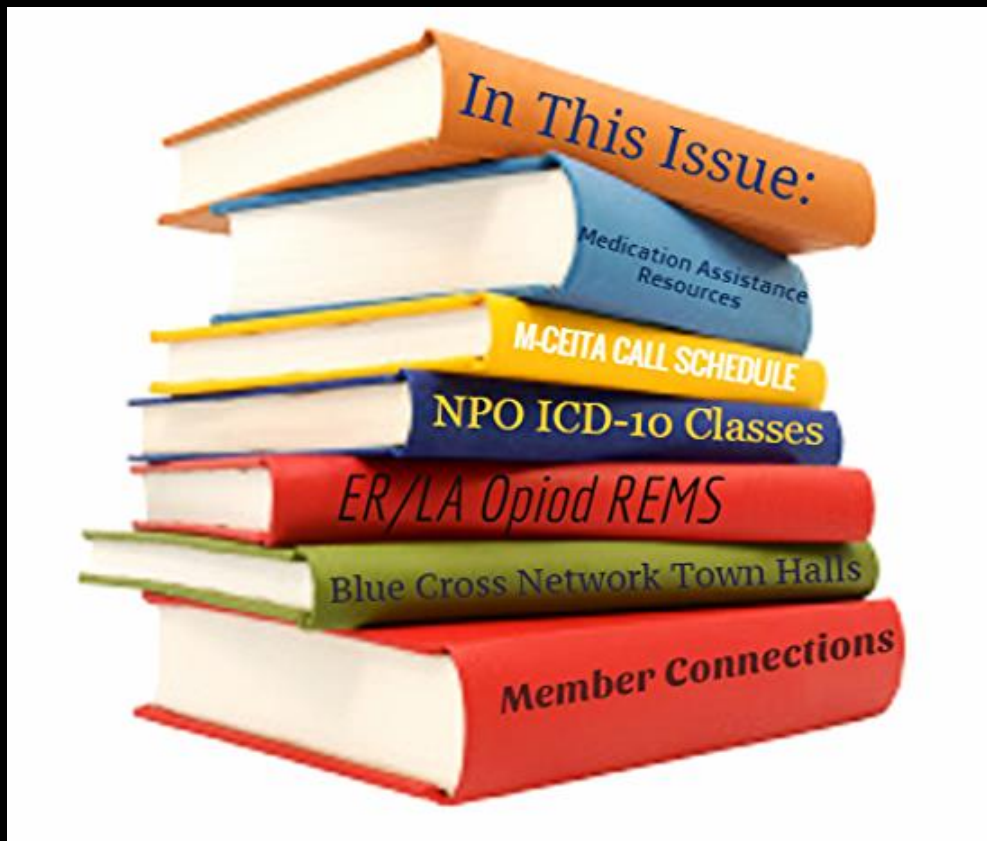
NEWS & NOTES
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NPO is committed to providing great resources to our members!



Medication Assistance Resources

As a reminder, NPO has developed a Prescription Medication Assistance Tool that will, in 15 minutes, provide staff members with a basic understanding of the problem, resources available and a best process to follow to efficiently seek out financial assistance for their patients struggling with the costs of prescription medication. This tool outlines both local and national resources and includes some decision making support to direct staff to appropriate resources. We hope you find this tool useful and that it helps support the high quality care your practice delivers.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for the Prescription Medication Tool. For a recorded presentation on how to use the tool, [CLICK HERE](#)

A Patient Handout for Local Prescription Assistance can be found [HERE](#)



NPO M-CEITA CALLS

The next NPO M-CEITA call is Wednesday September 2nd at 12:00 pm. 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) and it will be included in the session.

*These calls are via Go To Meeting, as we have had requests for projections.

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

- 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.



ER/LA Opioid REMS: Achieving Safe Use While Improving Patient Care

MSMS is offering this free presentation on October 1, 2015, from 6 - 8:15 pm at the Petoskey Bay View Country Club. The Collaborative on REMS

Education has designed a core curriculum to meet the requirements of the FDA REMS

Blueprint. **Speaker: Carl Christensen, MD**, Medical Director, Michigan Health Professional Recovery Program; Eleanore Hutzel Women's Recovery Center; Tolan Medical Research Clinic, Dept of Psychiatry, Wayne State University; and Clinical Associate Professor, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Wayne State University School of Medicine

To register please email **Tammy Guastella** at tguastella@outlook.com



Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network have scheduled a series of town halls focusing on professional providers across the state. The classes will cover such key topics as ICD-10, Medicare Advantage, Provider Inquiry, and others.

For complete information on schedule of events and registration, [Click Here](#).

Again, the next call is Wednesday September 2nd 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!



NOT IDEAL

The smart way is to arm yourself with info and be prepared! We do have a few spots left in our NPO ICD-10 Coding classes, but they are going fast. For Billers/Office Staff, there are only 5 available spots in Petoskey on 9/14. There are only 3 spots left in Traverse City on 9/23, and 10 on 9/24. For providers there are 10 spots in Petoskey on 9/14, 5 in Traverse City on 9/23, and 10 on 9/24. Don't wait til the last minute and be unable to get in! **Please contact Bryanna at bpatak@npoinc.org if you have any questions or would like to register.**

Always feel free to contact us with any questions, or suggestions.

The NPO Newsletters are for you. We would love your feedback.

Thanks!

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While the IT Department is working on upgrading our Crystal Ball, please help us by contacting NPO with *any* physician changes that occur in your practice.

(I just read your future- "You will be thanked...")