



NEWS and NOTES from NPO

AUGUST 28, 2018

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE UPDATES

SAVE THE DATE

NPO brought Judge Jodi Debbrecht Switalski to an Accountable Care-Physicians Partnering Meeting this past May and the response was incredibly positive. NPO is bringing her back for some follow up sessions in September where she will present "Litigation Trends When Prescribing Controlled Substances and Tools to Protect Yourself, Your Practice and Your Community". There will be 3 programs offered in the area:

- Wednesday September 26th from 5:30 - 8:30 pm
 - for Physicians and Advanced Practice Professionals
 - To RSVP for this session [CLICK HERE](#)
- Thursday September 27th from 8:00 - 10:00 am
 - for Practice Managers and Practice Staff
 - To RSVP for this session [CLICK HERE](#)
- Thursday September 27th from 5:30 - 8:30 pm
 - for Petoskey Area Physicians, Practice Managers and Practice Staff
 - To RSVP for this session [CLICK HERE](#)

**Information regarding the session locations will be posted prior to the dates.*

THINGS TO KNOW

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING MIPS EDUCATION SESSION

Please watch your emails for upcoming announcement regarding educational session for 2018 MIPS requirements.

DISCOUNTED SECURITY RISK ASSESSMENT FOR NPO MEMBERS

At Whittle Advisors, we have streamlined the 200-page Security Risk Assessment (SRA) survey (CMS developed) and created software tools to align the requirements for compliance with a manageable process. Our team manages the entire process for our clients. Our SRA, which includes an onsite analysis of the **physical, technical, and ePHI** requirements for compliance.

Take advantage of NPO member preferred pricing
~~\$1450~~

Medical Practice (single location) \$999

Discount pricing available through Sept 21st



Please contact Kelly@whittleadvisors.com
(586) 201-4882
whittleadvisors.com@whittleadvisors

CARDIOVASCULAR UPDATE CONFERENCE

Dr. Bob Pacer, an NPO Evidence Based Committee Member, has the following to say regarding the Annual Cardiovascular Update Conference hosted by the Munson Cardiologist group.

"If you are a primary care provider, hospitalist, or ER physician and have not taken the opportunity to attend this conference in the past, I would highly encourage you to consider doing so. I attended it for the first time last year and found it to be very very informative and practical, with a wealth of evidence-based medicine presented. It also provides an opportunity to meet and interact with our local cardiologists in small group settings as well as one-on-one. This is a top notch conference right here in our backyard. Reserve this date on your calendar."

CARDIOVASCULAR UPDATE CONFERENCE
Saturday, November 10, 2018
Registration/Breakfast: 7:00 am; Program: 8:00 am - 4:45 pm
Hagerty Center, Traverse City

Primary Care, emergency medicine, hospital medicine physicians, PAs/NPs, and nurses play a central role in the management of cardiac patients. Presented by local cardiologist, this conference will provide practical tools and resources including the most current developments in the diagnosis, treatment, and management of cardiovascular disease.

Conference fee is \$50 for physicians and \$25 for non-physicians. ***This program has been approved for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit.***

[REGISTER HERE](#)



YMCA DIABETES PREVENTION PROGRAM

The Grand Traverse Bay YMCA is launching a new Diabetes Prevention Program (DPP) available to community members. This may be an option to help your patients reduce their risk of developing Type II Diabetes. For a copy of the printable brochure which outlines cost and program details, [CLICK HERE](#)

NPO-CIN BLOG

Don't forget to check out the NPO Blog on the NPO-CIN Website. These short pieces keep practices and providers aware of the most relevant subjects for our region and nationally.

[NPO BLOG](#)

JOIN OTHER NPO MEMBERS USING 1st HEALTHCARE COMPLIANCE TO MEET COMPLIANCE REGULATIONS

Adoption of an effective compliance program is a CMS requirement for practices. NPO's Private Practice Physicians looking for a solution to meet compliance regulations have access to **1st Healthcare Compliance** at a discounted price. With an annual fee of \$75 per practice employee, this web based program features easy set-up and use.

[READ MORE](#)



JUST A REMINDER

Would you like to talk to a pharmacist about a medication question? Want to know the latest on a drug or have an interaction question? Something else? Well, answers are just an email away. The NPO Pharmacists can be reached at Rx@npoinc.org. Email your question and contact information and they will get back to you with answers. **PLEASE**

do **NOT** send confidential patient information in the email; if necessary, pharmacists will contact you for that information. We look forward to hearing from you!

Helpful Resources & Upcoming Events

[NPO Home](#)
[NMHN Home](#)
[Trillium Home Health](#)
[NPO Blog](#)
[Physician Partnering Meetings 2018](#)
[PAHCOM](#)
[NPO 2018 Calendar](#)
[Member Connections](#)