

Electronic Narcotic Prescribing – Training Continues

Implementation for *ePrescribing* medications including Controlled Substances is set to go live January 2016. At this time, we are offering this to ECC and physicians that see patients in the hospital. Training sessions are available for work flow education, and to register physician fingerprints for second authentication. The sessions will begin on the hour, every hour and are as follows:

December 2	9 am - 12 pm 1:30 - 3:30 pm	Cooper Executive Room Harrison Sideroom B
December 10	9 am - 4 pm	Harrison Sideroom A
December 15	9 am - 4 pm	Cooper Executive Room

Positive Changes to Home Health Care "Face to Face" Regulations – Effective January 7

The "Face to Face" documentation has been a significant burden for physicians/NP/PA and their office staff over the last couple of years. CMS implemented changes which allows us to add the requirements of that previous "Face to Face" form to the existing home care order. If the order is completed correctly, we will no longer need to collect the "Face to Face" documents from the physician office following discharge. This results in saving your staff time from tracking, filing, scanning and returning all required documentation. Items added to the 'Consult to Home Care' include:

- 1. Is the patient home bound?
- 2. What are the patient's diagnoses (multiple-click) which require home health services?

Additionally, a smart phrase will populate to the comments in which a date needs to be inserted to complete certification. Case managers have been educated on this new order and may be entering for physicians. If that is the case, the physician will only have to sign the order and there is no work flow change at all on the physician's behalf. For questions, please contact Steve Idzior at 989.583.3007 or SIdzior@chs-mi.com.

ICD-10 Training - CME Credit Available

Hopefully you have all survived the transition to ICD-10 with minimal or no disruption. Here at Covenant, the impact has been reasonable and we attribute that to preparation and the assistance of all of our caregivers and for that we thank you. The AHIMA/Optimize HIT training platform will remain available to all providers through December 31, 2015. You are encouraged to take advantage of the tool if you have not done so already. Also, if you have used the product and would like to claim CME credit, you must do so prior to December 31. You can access your CME credit directly through the program. If you have any questions regarding the use of the product or claiming your CME credit, please contact Kimberly or Cathy at 989.583.4100 in the HIM Incomplete area, adjacent to the 2nd floor ECC building physician lounge.

EVENTS

Annual Active Medical Staff Dinner Meeting TOMORROW at Apple Mountain

Tuesday, December 1 is the annual Active Medical Staff dinner meeting at Apple Mountain. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres to begin at 6:00 pm and meeting at 7:00 pm. Dinner to immediately follow. Please RSVP by calling 989.583.4133. Hope to see you there!

