

July 13, 2015

# PHYSICIAN

## NEWS BRIEF

### **BUSINESS UPDATES**

#### **Reminder- Active Medical Staff Meeting July 13**

The Active Medical Staff Meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 13 from 12:00 to 1:00 pm, with lunch served at 11:30 in the newly renovated Spencer T. Maidlow Education Center (formerly Cooper Lecture Theatre).

#### **Covenant HealthCare VNA Now Providing Orthotic Inpatient Bracing Services**

Covenant is proud to offer in house certified orthotic fitters to supply all non-fabricated braces for patients within the Cooper, Harrison, and Michigan campuses. As of July 1, 2015, the Covenant HealthCare Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) Orthotics team has been supplying all non-fabricated inpatient bracing devices and supporting the fitting process. Two certified orthotic fitters are available seven days a week, twenty-four hours a day to provide this service. For more information, please contact VNA Orthotics Team:

Carol Wirgau, DME Manager 989.583.3120

Noelle Mattheis, Certified Orthotic Fitter 989.751.7274

Jason Bursick, Certified Orthotic Fitter 989.326.5788

### **EMR UPDATES**

#### **Physician Dictating Stations Now Available!**

A new tool for enhancing EMR documentation now available. Fluency Direct (front-end speech recognition) is now available to physicians to use when documenting in Epic. This new tool can be used in combination with Epic notes and templates. Microphones have been installed at many physician dictating stations designated on the nursing units, physician lounges, ECC, etc. To be able to access the application, you must complete a short training session. If interested in training, please contact Elaine Mayer, Transcription Coordinator at 989.583.2711 or Sherri Davidson at 989.583.6070.

#### **Link in Epic to St. Mary's EMR**

For those who practice at both St. Mary's (SMOM) and Covenant HealthCare, we have added a link in Epic that will take you directly to the SMOM EMR log-in page. Once logged in you will be able to access a patient's chart and perform functions currently available. To get to the link, Hit the EPIC button in the top left corner > Links > St. Mary's Web Portal.

### **ETC.**

#### **No Further TV Charges to your Patients**

Covenant HealthCare is no longer charging patients for television service. We are hopeful this change will assist with patient satisfaction. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Luplow at The Foundation at 989.583.7604.