

Provider Communications (PCOM) Advisory Committee Minutes

9:00am – 12:00p.m. (E.S.T)

June 8, 2006

Comfort Suites

Southfield, Michigan

Attendees Present:, Continuum Management Services, Henry Ford Health System, Heritage Care Group, McLaren Medical Management (MHCC), St. John Health System, Tri-County Urologists P.C., Urology Specialist of Michigan, Women’s OB-GYN, P.C.

Staff Present: Matthew C. Friedrichs, Senior Analyst, Provider Outreach & Education (POE) department

Agenda Item	Discussion	Suggestions	Outcome/Action
Welcome and Introductions	Roll Call – Nine members attended in person and one member participated by teleconference.	Continue to provide teleconferencing option to members that are unable to attend in person.	WPS Medicare staff will continue to provide teleconferencing capability for those individuals that are unable to attend in person.
Approval of Minutes from March 9, 2006 Meeting	No comments or concerns were raised in regards to the minutes from the previous meeting held on March 9, 2006		
Review Suggestions/Actions/Outcomes from Previous Meeting	<p>A document was distributed to members prior to this meeting detailing actions taken by Wisconsin Physicians Service (WPS) Medicare staff, in response to suggested enhancements to the General Medicare Seminar book that members made during the last meeting.</p> <p>Members expressed appreciation for how quickly WPS Medicare staff responded to their suggestions.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A suggestion was made that this book be placed on the WPS Medicare Website. This will allow individuals that may not have an opportunity to attend a seminar in person an opportunity to still review the information at their convenience. 2. A suggestion was made at the previous meeting for WPS Medicare staff to provide training on the 855I enrollment application. 3. During the last meeting, WPS Medicare staff accepted an invitation by the President of the Michigan Patient Accounting Association (MPAA), Warren Chapter, to attend their quarterly meeting. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Members will download a copy of the updated General Medicare Seminar workbook from the WPS Medicare Website. 2. Members of the group will receive and review Computer Based Training (CBT) material developed on the 855I enrollment application following this meeting. Members will provide their feedback to WPS Medicare staff by June 26, 2006. Once reviewed and completed, training for the 855I will be announced to the provider community. 3. During this meeting, WPS Medicare staff solicited suggests on enhancements to the General Medicare Seminar Workbook. Suggestions that were received mirrored those previously made by PCOM members.

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Topics for Education-Discussion and Feedback	A copy of the current training schedule was distributed to members for review and comment. Based on current educational offerings, members made suggestions for future trainings.	<p>Suggestions for future educational offering are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervising Physicians in Teaching Setting • Non-Physician Practitioners • Incident to Services • Competitive Acquisition Program (CAP) 	<p>Members agreed to provide suggestions for each suggested topic:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type of educational venue best suited for topic material • Geographical location for event • Issues and concerns related to the topic • How to ensure provider participation and attendance <p>Members agreed to forward this information to WPS Medicare staff before the next meeting, scheduled September 14, 2006.</p>
Education Methods - Initiative	<p>The topics currently being offered are very much needed and very good!</p> <p>The majority of members acknowledged that they've had several opportunities to participate in various educational formats offered by WPS Medicare and commented that each of them are unique in nature.</p>	<p>Several of the members commented that they would like to see WPS Medicare continue to offer topics in more than one format.</p> <p>Teleconferences should be taped and transcribed for individuals that are unable to attend a seminar or listen to audio presentations.</p> <p>Questions and answers that are posted to the WPS Medicare Website should be identified with the event they are received from when possible.</p>	<p>Members will e-mail chairperson with suggestions on how each educational topic should be offered prior to the next meeting. Options will include the following educational methods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • iLinc session • Teleconference Session • Lunch "n" Learn • Computer Based Training (CBT) • Web site • In-Service Training • A Day With Medicare & Partners • Pre-recorded format • Etc..

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<p>Medicare Learning Network Articles</p>	<p>The following Medicare Learning Network (MLN) articles were forwarded to members prior to the meeting to allow them time to review the information.</p> <p>MM4064 – Competitive Acquisition Program (CAP) for Part B Drugs – Coding, Testing, and Implementation</p> <p>MM4398 – Update to Chapter 24 (EDI Support Requirements) of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual to Show New CMS Web Site URL References</p> <p>MM5015 – Full Replacement for Change Request (CR) 4266, Revision for Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) and Physician Scarcity Area (PSA) Bonus Billing for Some Globally Billed Services. CR4266 Is Rescinded</p> <p>MM4309 – Additional Requirements for the Competitive Acquisition Program (CAP) for Part B Drugs and Biologicals.</p> <p>MM4401 – Cardiac Rehabilitation Programs</p> <p>MM4404 – MMA – Competitive Acquisition Program (CAP) for Part B Drugs Physician Election</p> <p>MM5025 – Payment for Evaluation and Management Services Provided During Global Period of Surgery</p> <p>MM4261 – Shared Systems Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) Balancing Edit and Administrative Simplification Compliance Act (ASCA) Enforcement Update</p>	<p>1. WPS Medicare should consider offering training on CAP.</p> <p>There were no comments, concerns, or suggestions offered on the MLN articles.</p>	<p>1. This suggestion will be reviewed and considered for future educational initiatives. PCOM members will submit suggestions for preferred educational methods for CAP training to WPS Medicare staff via e-mail by the next meeting, scheduled for September 14, 2006.</p>

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Other Issues - Membership	No other issues were raised by group.		
Next meeting	Meeting Schedule for this year: September 14, 2006 December 07, 2006	Hope to see you at the next meeting!	