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## Great News for Samaritan Physicians' Organization Members: Moving Toward Improved Communication

A new interactive, password-protected Website is being launched. This Website will ensure our SPO members receive timely, consistent and easy to access membership information, including the monthly newsletter, Practice Manager meeting dates and advice and information valuable to running your practice.

Our Website address will be sent to you shortly.



### Practice Manager Meeting

**Next Meeting:**

May 11th, 2017 at 8AM

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May 11th, 2017- 8:00 AM

**Location:**

Patio Café—back of Employee  
Cafeteria (1st Floor)

**Topic:**

Live Webinar on MIPS  
hosted by IPRO  
(Island Peer Review Organization)

Free technical advice!

Bring Your Providers!

## Medicare Value Modifier Payments

By now physicians in groups of 2 or more have had the Value Modifier applied to their Medicare payments. This Value Modifier is based on the CY 2015 performance period. You either received an upward, downward, or neutral payment adjustment.

Visit the 2015 QRUR and 2017 Value Modifier webpage for detailed information about the 2017 Modifier.

## 2016-2017 Empire Specialist Program In Full Swing

Just a reminder that the measuring period for this program ends on **June 30, 2017** and completed documents need to be submitted by **August 1, 2017**. We stand eager to help you succeed, so call and let us assist you to reach the \$2000 bonus payout.

The 2015-2016 payments will go out to successful practices in May. Look for your checks.

## NEED HELP?

- Practice Management Problems
- Claims Issues
- Medical Policy Concerns
- Staff Training
- Customer service

Call Carolee Brooks Hildenbrandt at 212-953-1504  
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## Free Webinars on the Medicare Quality Payment Program (QPP) and MIPS

Island Peer Review Organization (IPRO) along with our IPA is hosting a Free Webinar outlining how IPRO can help small practices succeed with MIPS.

When: Wednesday, May 11th, at 8:00am EDT.

**To Join Online:**

<https://ipro.webex.com/mw3000/mywebex/default.do?siteurl=ipro&service=0>

Meeting number (access code): 645 375 386

Meeting password: **vjDRg665**

To Join by Phone: **+1 (855) 797-9485 [US Toll Free]**