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Practice Manager Meeting

**Next Meeting is Thursday,
October 11th, 2018 - 8 AM**

Topics:

- Proposed E/M Coding changes
- Empire Specialist Bonus Program
- Update on MIPS
- Featured speaker from the office of Dr. Eli Anker
Peripheral Vascular Disease (PAD)

Please visit www.spo-ny.org.
Registration is simple, quick, and
limited to current members!

NEED HELP?

- Practice Management Problems
- Claims Issues
- Medical Policy Concerns

Call Susan Rooney
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E-prescribing can make it easy to follow Brand Formulary Lists

E-prescribing can make it easy to select formulary medications for patients with commercial benefits. It's not surprising, then, that e-prescribed prescriptions have a higher Generic Dispensing Rate (GDR) and Formulary Compliance Rate compared to other ways of prescribing.

Medication formulary status and coverage requirements are available within e-prescribing tools and are updated either monthly or quarterly.

Tips for making the most of e-prescribing:

- Each e-prescribing system or EMR vendor uses and display the available information in its own way.

Ask your vendor for a guide to your system.

- Availability of formulary information for a patient is dependent on an eligibility match. The match usually uses 5 elements:
 - First name
 - Last name
 - Gender,
 - DOB
 - Zip code.

If all of these elements are not filled in, or differ from what's on file for their coverage (example – different ZIP) – an eligibility match may not occur. A match also may not occur if the system finds more than one member with the same demographic elements.

- If you have tried troubleshooting and still can't get an eligibility match or have other concerns with the formulary information, contact your EMR vendor.

Advice from the Founder of a large successful Independent Practice Association,

“We chase every claim relentlessly.”

Diabetic Retinal Eye Exam and Mammography Exam

Good Samaritan has produced a patient specific educational brochure on the importance of these exams. Sample copies have been sent out to all PCPs; additional copies are available by calling Carolee Hildenbrandt at 212-953-1504.

Vaccine Refusal Code

Immunizations, not carried out because of Caregiver/ Patient refusal should be coded **Z28-82**.