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MSMS OPIOID UPDATES:

Opioid Questions: How often and for what drugs does the MAPS have to be checked?

Effective June 1, 2018, a MAPS query has to be run before prescribing any controlled substance (schedule 2, 3, 4 or 5) in an amount greater than a 3-day supply. The law doesn't require providers to print and keep a copy, but they will need some way to document that MAPS was checked. See two of the MSMS FAQs below. MSMS has asked LARA for clarification on refills of expired prescriptions when there are no refills indicated on the prescription or the authorized refills have been taken (i.e., 30-day supply w/no refills, but patient needs a refill after 30 days). Also, MSMS has asked about the ability of MAPS to provide the audit trail if the EMR is not integrated and how this would work. LARA is preparing their own FAQ document; but there is no estimated time of availability yet. An exception to this is if dispensing occurs in a hospital or freestanding surgical outpatient facility and the controlled substance is administered to the patient in that hospital or facility. [Click to continue...](#)

Opioid Timeline

MSMS has developed the Opioid Timeline for your practice's use. You may find it by [CLICKING HERE](#). It is a concise timeline of what needs to be done by what date. The referenced form for use with minors, "Start Talking form" is available [here](#). The referenced MDHHS form for adults is not yet available. NPO will share when it is.

MSMS does have an opioid website with many resources available, including on-line webinars to meet LARA Pain education requirements and LARA posters for your office describing MAPS usage [here](#).

The MSMS FAQs are [HERE](#). Please contact NPO with any questions.

Controlled Substance Agreement

The NPO Evidence Based Committee physicians, to assist physicians with the new controlled substance legislation, asked the NPO pharmacists to draft a Controlled Substance Agreement template that could be used by all practices. The pharmacists drafted a document using multiple sources and Committee input; the [NPO Controlled Substance Agreement](#) has been reviewed by the Committee physicians. NPO is providing this to you as a Word Document so that you may modify as desired. We hope you find this document useful.

The Committee would like to remind you about the availability of the Opioid Legislation FAQs available [here](#). Compiled by MSMS (Michigan State Medical Society), this is a living document and is updated frequently.

BCN Alert: On the front line: Battling the opioid epidemic

M-OPEN sponsors free webinar on the role of acute care in opioid epidemic

A free webinar on the role of acute care in the opioid epidemic will take place March 27th from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. The webinar will provide an overview of the [Michigan Opioid Prescribing Engagement Network](#), an initiative that seeks to transform pain management and curb opioid abuse in the state of Michigan. This five-year initiative is supported in part by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan. Learn more about the webinar, or [register](#).

MEDICAL DECISION MAKING and ITS IMPACT ON GRIEF WORKSHOP

A free event, provided by Michael's Place, Hospice of Michigan, and Munson Medical center will be held on May 9th, 2018 from 6-8 pm at Michael's Place, 1212 Veterans Drive, Traverse City. This event is open to all community members and medical professionals. Please find a poster [HERE](#). Share with others. It is hoped that this event will provide support to families and caregivers.

BLUE CROSS / BLUE CARE NETWORK PROVIDER FORUMS

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network's 2018 provider forums begin in May. This year, the morning sessions will have content specifically geared to physician office staff who are responsible for closing gaps related to quality measures and coding. A special morning session on understanding the patient experience and how to improve it within practices will be targeted to office managers and staff. Topics will include:

- The patient experience - why it's important to your practice and how can you improve it
- 2018 CPT updates and coding scenarios for primary care physicians and specialists
- HEDIS measures

Afternoon sessions will be geared towards all office personnel and cover such topics as:

- New provider service model

- eviCore and prior authorizations
- eReferral
- The opioid epidemic
- Behavioral health
- Updates for Provider Enrollment and Data Management, or PEDM, and the Provider Automated Response System, or PARS

Here's the schedule of events:

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.

The morning session starts at 8 a.m. and includes a continental breakfast.

The afternoon session begins at noon, includes a lunch, and ends at 4 p.m.

You can register for the full day or choose to attend just the morning or afternoon session.

These forums provide valuable information to keep your staff up to date on the latest developments. [CLICK HERE](#) for a complete schedule of forums, and registration information.

MEDICATION QUESTION?

Would you like to ask a pharmacist about a medication? Want to know the latest on a drug or have an interaction question? Something else? Well, answers are just an email away. The NPO Pharmacists can be reached at Rx@npoinc.org. Email your question and contact information and they will get back to you with answers. **PLEASE** do **NOT** send confidential patient information in the email; if necessary, the pharmacists will contact you for that information.

We look forward to hearing from you!

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