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CCPNUpdate

CCPN Opens 2018 With Great Opportunities for Members

From Allen Dobson, MD, Chairman

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- Click <u>here</u> to learn more about CCPN's new collaboration with WellCare.
- The CCPN enrollment fee for OB/GYN and Behavioral Health clinicians will continue to be waived through the end of April 2018. In addition, for primary care clinicians joining CCPN and CCNC at the same time, their CCPN enrollment fee has also been waived until the end of April.



As we start a new year, I am excited about what CCPN will be doing in collaboration with all of you -- our participating clinicians and practices -- in 2018.



Our Medicare Advantage pro-

gram with Aetna Healthcare begins in January. It will offer the opportunity for participating practices to develop quality improvement strategies through an alternate payment model, including incentive payments.

In addition, we have our first Direct Primary Care opportunity. Contact information is on page 3. We will begin the regional "CCPN Conversations and Updates" meetings in February (see article on page 5), which will allow CCPN clinicians and staff to engage in meaningful discussions, provide updates and learn how CCPN can best support you.

I also am looking forward to the Second Annual Clinician Conference on April 28-29 (more information on conference registration is on page 1, at right).

Looking ahead, please know CCPN is committed to providing our clinicians and practices with the services and supports you need to be successful in 2018 and beyond.



Registration for our 2nd Annual Clinician Conference is now open! The conference will be held at the Grandover Resort in Greensboro on Sunday, April 29 and Monday, April 30, 2018. Conference registration is open to CCPN clinicians (MDs, PAs, NPs, psychologists).

Come network with your fellow CCPN members and learn about all the great opportunities CCPN has to offer in 2018. There is **no cost** to CCPN member clinicians.

Conference topics will include payment reform, quality improvement, and CCPN services.

We will continue to update you with more information about the conference.

Conference registration includes onenight hotel stay at the Grandover, plus an evening reception, dinner, and breakfast. <u>Register now.</u>

For any questions, please contact Jessica Whelan at <u>jwhelan@ncaccesscare.org</u> or visit our <u>website.</u>

Board of Managers Update

During its December 7 meeting, the CCPN Board of Managers received an update from the Contracting Committee, and Dr. Steve Wegner presented the proposed changes to the Pediatric Quality Metrics, which the Board adopted unanimously. The Board then approved extending the fee waiver for joining CCPN for OB/GYN and Behavioral Health clinicians and for physicians who join CCPN and CCNC simultaneously.

The next Board of Managers meeting is scheduled for January 2018.

Tork Wade Receives Order of Long Leaf Pine

Congratulations to Tork Wade, Executive Vice President for Business & Provider Partnerships at CCNC, on being awarded the prestigious Order of the Long Leaf Pine.

Dr. L. Allen Dobson Jr., President and CEO of CCNC, presented the award on behalf of Governor Roy Cooper to Wade at the winter meeting of the NC Academy of Family Physicians in Asheville, NC last month.

"I was deeply moved to receive the Order of the Long Leaf Pine from Governor Cooper," said Wade. "To have it presented by Dr. Dobson made it all the more special."



Wade is the third recipient from CCNC to be awarded the Order of the Long Leaf Pine, behind Dr. L. Allen Dobson Jr., President and CEO, who received the award in May 1992, and Steve Cline, Senior Vice President for Strategic Partnerships, who received the award in August 2017.

> The Wade Family From left to right: Libby Wade, Tork Wade, Sam Wade and Karen Wade

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EverMed Brings Benefits to Primary Care Providers

CCPN is now partnering with EverMed DPC. This partnership is offering CCPN primary care providers the opportunity to participate in employer-based Direct Primary Care (DPC).

Participating primary care practices will receive a fixed, per member per month fee for employees and their dependents. In North Carolina, EverMed employers will be paying for DPC for their employees.

EverMed DPC covers a fixed set of primary care services, such as primary care visits, acute care visits, wellness visits, labs, and procedures such as flu vaccines and nebulizer treatments. Any service not covered under DPC can be billed to the patient's insurance company.

Benefits to you:

 A new, healthy stream of patients Consistent, reliable practice revenue (monthly PMPM paid to the practice)

- Minimal administration and no billing for included services
- Earn higher RVUs

There is no cost and no risk to sign

up. You decide how many DPC patients your practice is able to take at any point in time. You can start very small to see how it works and increase your numbers later, or you can start with just those EverMed DPC patients who are already members of your practice. To learn more about the specific PMPM payments, covered services, or other aspects of the Evermed DPC agreement please contact Jessica Whelan at 919-516-8121 or jwhelan@ncaccesscare.org, or visit our website for more information. **Coming Soon**

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CCPN Mission Statement

Our mission is to establish a physician-led, innovative, high performing enterprise across NC, which will support continuous quality improvement through evidencebased data metrics and best practices. We will strive to lower operating cost and support reimbursement models which reflect the value of the care provided and allow practices and patients to thrive.

CCPN Vision Statement

To create a network of exceptional healthcare providers who prosper through optimizing quality improvement and patient outcomes in a value-based healthcare environment.



Would your practice benefit from the Practice Transformation Network ?

The CCNC Practice Transformation Network gives providers innovative tools and supports to help deliver high-quality, value-based care in an efficient practice setting. Our goal is to help ensure the viability of your practice under Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement changes.

We can help you in many ways:

- Prepare your practice for value-based reimbursement;
- Improve your practice's workflow and efficiency;
- Provide Practice Transformation coaches: on-the-ground experts in quality improvement, process efficiencies, care coordination, and patient engagement;
- Connect you with proven, practical tools to support practice transformation, optimize revenue and achieve sustained results, with free CME and MOC credit;
- Earn performance improvement credit for Medicare Quality Payment Program.

Leverage the power of informatics

- Gain insight into quality, cost and utilization performance for your Medicaid and Medicare populations in preparation for Medicaid reform, MIPS, and/or participation in accountable care contracts or other Alternative Payment Models;
- Identify which patients are most "impactable" through targeted interventions;
- Track patient satisfaction through a webbased reporting tool.

Help you deliver "whole person care"

- Implement strategies to improve outcomes for complex patients;
- Potentially participate as a pilot "behavioral health integration model practice."

For more information, contact: Donna Bowen (<u>dbowen@n3cn.org</u>) or go to <u>http://ccnc.care/</u>

Quality focus



Masonboro Urgent Care Quality Champion Boosts Patient Care and Cuts Costs

Masonboro Urgent Care is a small ,urban practice in Wilmington.

It was the first practice in the Lower Cape Fear region to sign up for the Practice Transformation Network (PTN) Cooperative Agreement and also to participate in CCPN.

From the beginning, this practice worked hard to be knowledgeable about transitioning from a traditional fee-for-service-based health care model to valuebased care.

One practice priority has been to ensure patients receive recommended preventative screenings. This initiative focuses on lowering costs for both patients and the practice, while improving the quality of care patients receive. To meet this goal, Masonboro decided to hire an additional medical assistant, to train the assistant in quality improvement methodologies, and have the assistant become the quality champion for the practice. The role of the quality champion is to reach out to all patients who are overdue for preventative screenings from all payers. The quality champion then coordinates needed office visits and referrals for patients.

Since bringing a quality champion on board, the practice has seen an increase in screening rates for breast cancer, cervical cancer, and colorectal cancer (for example colorectal cancer screening rates increased 8% since beginning PTN work.) The practice continues to monitor these rates through the quality dashboard in their electronic medical record.



Welcome New Practices

B&D Integrated Health Services Carolina Partners of Concord MC Family Medical, PLLC Sandhills Medical Care Center

> <u>Click for a full list of</u> <u>CCPN practices</u>

Adolescent Immunization Rate Metric Is Changing

The Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) combined its Adolescent Immunization Rate Metric and its Human Papillomavirus (HPV) for Females Metric to create a new Adolescent Immunization Rate Metric. In order to align the CCPN Adolescent Immunization Rate Metric with the updated HEDIS metric, the CCPN Pediatric Quality Improvement Committee recommended a revised Adolescent Immunization metric to the Board of Managers. At its December 2017 meeting the Board of Managers adopted the following as the CCPN Adolescent Immunization Rate Metric:

Percentage of children 13 years old who had the following by their thirteenth birthday:

- At least one meningococcal conjugate vaccine with a date of service on or between the child's 11th and 13th birthdays.
- At least one tetanus, diphtheria toxoids and acellular pertussis (Tdap)

vaccine with a date of service on or between the child's 10th and 13th birthdays.

At least two HPV vaccines with different dates of service (at least 5 months apart) on or between the child's 9th and 13th birthdays.

CCPN Conversations & Updates Begin February 6

Our first Local CCPN Conversations and Updates meeting will be held in Charlotte on Tuesday, February 6, at 5:30 pm. Community Care Partners of Greater Mecklenburg has invited CCPN to join their local Independent Provider Dinner meeting.

These meetings are a chance for CCPN providers to provide feedback and input into CCPN. Conversations and Updates will be held at a variety of locations throughout the year.

Tell Us What's Changed

Have clinicians joined or left your group?

Have you recently changed addresses, phone numbers, or tax identification numbers?

Please let us know!

Getting Involved

Want to know more about CCPN committees and how you can get involved with CCPN?

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