



# JPA's PGIP News

*This newsletter updates JPA Practices on the BCBS PGIP program*

## Attend seminar and earn cash \$\$

JPA has been selected to participate in the BlueCross BlueShield of Michigan's Physician Group Incentive Program (PGIP). JPA is one of only 35 physician groups statewide to be involved in this comprehensive incentive program.

In 2006, BCBSM began its PGIP program as a means to support physician organizations using pay-for-performance programs to help encourage measurable improvements in patient care, quality and health care cost. The program has continued to evolve and now seeks to incentivize physicians to adopt tools to streamline and automate patient care as well. Ultimately, the PGIP program has become a value partnership between BCBSM and its select physician organizations to create the appropriate environment and best practices to optimize patient care, ensure quality and minimize duplication or unneeded treatments.

JPA's participation in the PGIP program officially began this January. Since that time, JPA administration has been learning the particulars about the program. For 2008, JPA has agreed to work on six initiatives. These initiatives are outlined on the back page of this newsletter.

JPA wants to share information about the PGIP program with its participating practice members. *If your practice is part of the PGIP program, you need to attend the orientation session.* JPA will reimburse each practice represented at the May training **\$100**.

The training is scheduled for **Thursday May 16, 2008** at the **Commonwealth Commerce Center** from **10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.** A light lunch will be served.

JPA administration will review and outline the six PGIP initiatives it has committed to. Additionally, JPA will highlight what each participating JPA practice needs to do over the next several months. Reports and progress tools will also be reviewed.

*Most importantly there will be an opportunity for questions!*

The JPA Board decided to participate in the BCBSM PGIP program because of the potential to increase reimbursement to its member physicians. In addition to receiving P4P incentive bonuses, JPA participating physicians can expect to be reimbursed at a significantly higher E&M fee schedule at some point in the future.

The JPA physicians have a proven track record for working efficiently and effectively. The Board believes that this PGIP initiative is aligned with JPA's goals and represents a good business decision for the organization.

## COME LEARN MORE ABOUT PGIP!!

**SIGN-UP and ATTEND . . .**

### PGIP

### ORIENTATION and TRAINING

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### QUESTIONS?

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# JPA's 2008 PGIP Initiatives

Initiative	Goal	What Practices Need To Do
<p><b>Initiative #1</b> Pharmacy Plan for Increasing the Use of Generic Drugs</p>	<p>Improve prescribing patterns and reduce pharmacy costs.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Review quarterly reports and share with prescribing physician(s)</li> <li>2. Utilize generic drugs whenever possible</li> <li>3. Prioritize Rx's by cost, using low cost alternatives first</li> </ol>
<p><b>Initiative #2</b> Adoption and Use of Electronic Prescribing</p>	<p>Improve safety, quality and cost-effectiveness of the prescription process through adoption and increased use of electronic prescription ordering.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Evaluate with your physician(s) moving to e-prescribing</li> <li>2. If on JCMR's NextGen EMR, call Cheryl to set up a training time</li> <li>3. If not on JCMR's NextGen EMR, consider adding Dr. First to your PM system. BCBSM has free two-year software</li> </ol>
<p><b>Initiative #3</b> Radiology Management</p>	<p>Ensure appropriate use of diagnostic imaging services, reducing over-utilization and costs.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Review quarterly reports and share with ordering physician(s)</li> <li>2. Follow protocol with AIM program</li> </ol>
<p><b>Initiative #4</b> Evidence Based Care Tracking to Reduce Gaps in Care</p>	<p>Increase adherence to evidence-based medicine, reduce gaps in care and ultimately improve patient outcomes.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Learn and measure the Key Evidence Based Care indicators</li> <li>2. Log and report measure outcomes</li> <li>3. Review reports</li> </ol>
<p><b>Initiative #5</b> Patient Registry PC-MH</p>	<p>Create the capability to identify and actively monitor patients with chronic conditions supporting optimal management of the population.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Build awareness regarding purpose and function of a patient registry</li> <li>2. Submit pertinent data and utilize reports from patient registry</li> </ol>
<p><b>Initiative #6</b> Performance Reporting PC-MH</p>	<p>Create the capability to assess and report on the performance of individual physicians, their practice and JPA with regard to preventative care and chronic disease management of patients.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Review reports and share with physician(s)</li> <li>2. Attend PGIP focused meetings and educational sessions</li> </ol>