

UPDATE

MEDICARE PART D 2015

AN EDUCATIONAL SERIES FROM TRINET THIRD PARTY NETWORK

TriNet is providing an educational series on the 2015 Medicare Part D Plan Year. The series offers guidance to help member pharmacies maintain their current Medicare part D patient base and also to grow their Medicare Part D business.

HOW TO IMPROVE PHARMACY STAR RATINGS

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) implemented the Five Star Quality Rating System in 2006 to help educate consumers on the quality of health plans and to make quality data more transparent. But as you know, the Star Ratings have become more than just a comparison tool. Star Ratings are beginning to influence pharmacies' network access and reimbursement.

WHY STAR RATINGS ARE SO IMPORTANT

Even though CMS does not currently issue Star Ratings for pharmacies (only for health plans), the plans can assess how their network pharmacies meet medication management measures solely by reviewing claims. This allows them to issue their own ratings to pharmacies and to evaluate which pharmacies are better at meeting CMS-defined quality measures. To increase their own Star Rating, health plans can rework their preferred networks to include only pharmacies with high Star Ratings, and they can send MTM cases only to pharmacies that show good patient outcomes. The better a pharmacy's Star Ratings, the more patients and revenue it is likely to get.

HOW TO IMPROVE YOUR STAR RATINGS

Start improving your Star Ratings by understanding how you measure up. TriNet is partnering with EQUiPP™, a recognized tool for pharmacy quality measurement and benchmarking. EQUiPP provides pharmacies with the information they need to make quality improvement efforts in adherence and medication safety metrics measured by CMS and other organizations.

Learn about the basics of using EQUiPP and how to improve your Star Ratings in our series of webinars. Sign up below.

JOIN TRINET FOR AN EQUIPP WEBINAR

We're offering two important webinar series. The first explains the basics of EQUiPP and the second provides tips on how to improve your Star Ratings. Sign up below.

THE BASICS OF EQUIPP

Wednesday, September 10, 2014

1 p.m. – 2 p.m. (CDT)

Register here: www4.gotomeeting.com/register/728514551

HOW TO IMPROVE PHARMACY STAR RATINGS

Thursday, Sep 11, 2014

8 a.m. – 9 a.m. (CDT)

Register here: www4.gotomeeting.com/register/138474047

Thursday, September 11, 2014

12 p.m. – 1 p.m. (CDT)

Register here: www4.gotomeeting.com/register/256136975

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