

PPTA Fall 2019 Reimbursement and Regulations Update Agenda

The first three courses will be held from 8:45 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. | Breakfast and lunch will be provided for all attendees.

The Friday, Oct. 25 MovePA Course will be held from 12:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. | Lunch will be provided for attendees.

Where

Sept. 25, 2019
PSU Hazelton
76 University Dr.
Hazelton, PA 18202

Oct. 10, 2019
Montgomery County Community College
340 DeKalb Pike
Blue Bell, PA 19422

Oct. 17, 2019
Central Penn College
600 Valley Rd.
Summerdale, PA 17093

Oct. 25, 2019 | PPTA MovePA Conference Course (discounted w/ conference registration)
Seven Springs Mountain Resort
777 Water Wheel Dr.
Champion, PA 15622

About the Course

The primary focus of this seminar is to provide an update on outpatient physical therapy services provided in various settings: hospitals, private practice, CORFs, rehab agencies and skilled nursing facilities.

Physical therapists, physical therapist assistants, PT facility managers, PT compliance officers, and PT payment/reimbursement personnel employed by/consulting with PT facilities interested in remaining up to date with changes in payment and compliance with payer and regulatory requirements in the delivery of physical therapy services are invited to register.

Course Agenda

(Important: Time frames are subject to change to allow inclusion of issues that develop closer to the Updates.)

8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m. - Breakfast and check-in

9:00 a.m.– 10:15 a.m. – Commercial payer updates for PA?

- PA AUTO Update
- PA Workers Compensation Update
- PA Copying Fees
- PA MEDICAID Update
- Network Authorization Updates
- Highmark Updates
- UHC Updates
- Novitas Probe and Educate Audits
- Locum Tenens Update
- PA Legislative Focus

10:15 a.m.–10:30 a.m. - Beverage Break

10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. – Federal Payer and National Payment issues?

- Tricare Updates
- CMS Proposed Rule Physician Fee for Service
 - I. KX and \$3,000 thresholds
 - II. CPT Codes being Removed
 - III. New CPT codes for 2020
 - IV. Assistant Modifiers, Payment, & Documentation of *de minimis*
- Most frequent PPTA payment questions

12:00 p.m.– 1:00 p.m.: Lunch/Roundtable Discussions by Practice Setting

Enjoy lunch while you discuss topics of interest... Are you joining or disengaging from Workers' Comp networks? Are you using an EMR that's working well for you? What innovative methods are you using to address the commercial payor network authorization requirements while easing the administrative burden? What are you doing to prepare for MIPS? Join colleagues to discuss issues important to you!

1:00 p.m.–1:45 p.m. - Special Topic: 2019 MIPS (Merit Based Incentive Payment System)

1:45 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. - Special Topic: Telehealth, SNF PDPM, IRF, HHA Therapy Updates

2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.: PPTA Most Frequent Questions

Payment Specialists

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Thomas M (Tom) Howell, PT, MPT is the Assistant Payment Specialist for the Pennsylvania Physical Therapy Association. Tom is from Philadelphia and graduated from Hahnemann (Drexel) but then spent 25 years out West returning back to PA in 2017. He has been an APTA member since 1988 and held the position of Payment Specialist with the Idaho Physical Therapy Association. Tom is past President of the IPTA and served as the IPTA Federal Affairs Liaison. He is a member of the APTA HPA the Catalyst section and a former member of the HPA Bylaws committee. He was a private practice owner for 12 years out West and currently works as a contract PT in outpatient and home health.