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COA Report

California Orthopaedic Association

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TOP NEWS

Potential New COA Member Benefit

Are you Having Problems Collecting Underpaid/Unpaid Monies from Carriers?
Hiring More and More Staff to do In-House Collections?
Are you Ready to Write Off These Underpaid/Unpaid Monies?

If so, COA would like to hear from you.

COA is exploring ways to help our members collect underpaid/unpaid monies from carriers.
Any carrier – group health (out-of-network and in-network)/auto liability/Workers' Compensation.
Monies you are ready to write off.

We are setting up a pilot project with an agency specializing in Underpaid Claims Recovery. This agency is designed to collect old Insurance claims that have been underpaid and you are ready to write off. During the pilot project you would receive **80% of any monies collected**. Typically, agencies take 40% of what they collect and the practice only receives 60%. The practice has to be willing to work with the agency and provide EOB and other billing information that they need to work on these bills. Any size practice is invited to participate.

If you would like to volunteer to participate in this pilot project, contact COA – admin@coa.org ASAP to let us know of your interest and identify a staff person who would be working with the agency. The number of practices that can participate in the pilot project is limited.

Questions should be directed to the COA office – 916-454-9884 or admin@coa.org.



5 Things We Worked On in Sacramento

Attend this COA webinar to find out what happened.

Thursday, November 12, 2020 – 6:30 pm

Complimentary

The webinar will feature:

Russell Nord, M.D. – COA's 2nd VP/Chair – Legislative Committee

Kim Stone, Esq., Stone Advocacy – COA's Lobbyist

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PRACTICE GUIDANCE

Patients Can Read Your Clinical Notes Starting Nov. 2

Medscape

Starting Nov. 2, all patients in the United States will have immediate access to clinical notes and thus will be able to read their doctors' writings, as well as test results and reports from pathology and imaging. The 21st Century Cures Act mandates that patients have fast, electronic access to the following types of notes: consultations, discharge summaries, history, physical examination findings, imaging narratives, laboratory and pathology report narratives, and procedure and progress notes.

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Anthem To Pay \$594 Million Share in Pending Blues Plan Antitrust Settlement

FierceHealthcare

Anthem is paying a substantial portion of Blues plans' tentative antitrust settlement, which is estimated to be nearly \$3 billion, executives said on a call with investors. Anthem has penciled in \$594 million for its contribution to the \$2.7 billion settlement. The Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association reportedly agreed to the settlement in a lengthy class action suit late last month. Anthem chief financial officer John Gallina called the settlement "pending" during the earnings call, and said having a deal in the works "removes an uncertainty" for the business around the ongoing litigation.

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