Long-Term Care Compliance and COVID-19: Focus of Program

Healthcare Council is partnering with K&L Gates to provide a live webinar on compliance for long-term care facilities and COVID-19. The webinar, *Long-Term Care Facilities and COVID-19: The New Frontier*, will be held on Thursday, May 28, 2020, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

The webinar will provide an overview of key areas that impact long-term care facilities during this time, such as recent guidance, surveying, and potential liability topics. It will also highlight some lessons learned and take-aways for the long-term care community. Although the program pertains to long-term care, acute and other non-acute organizations may want to participate.

The webinar will be presented by Sarah Carlins, of counsel, and Myla Reizen, partner, from the law firm of K&L Gates. This program was developed in response to requests from Healthcare Council’s long-term care and other non-acute members following a general compliance program on COVID-19 provided by K&L Gates. The webinar is designed specifically for Healthcare Council members.

Although the program is provided free of charge to Healthcare Council members, registration is required.

For more information contact Pat Raffaele.

Medicare S-10 Audit Update

Healthcare Council is partnering with the firm Arnett Carbis Toothman to conduct S10 audits for acute care hospital members. The audits of the Medicare S10 schedule will assist members with their level of disproportionate share funding form Medicare.
Members can still participate in the S10 audits, which are being conducted throughout the summer.

To participate or for more information contact Denis Lukes.

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**Healthcare Council’s New Partnership: COVID-19 Resource List**

Healthcare Council joined with 14 state and regional hospital associations in partnership with Affiliated Enterprise Solutions (AES) to offer members access to a COVID-19 Resource List.

AES has selected an array of companies offering solutions in several operational areas. These companies have been vetted through a rigorous due diligence process by AES.

AES will update the Resource List with additional businesses as the needs of the members of the partner associations evolve and change throughout the pandemic. Each week AES offers a “live” webinar featuring one company and how its services can assist members. The webinars are also recorded and can be viewed at any time.

Altius and Strategy Solutions, Inc., two of Healthcare Council’s business partners, are on the Resource List.

For the Resource List [click here](#). For more information on the program contact Pat Raffaele.

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**Health Literacy Webinars Announced**

The Pennsylvania Health Literacy Coalition announced its webinar series for 2020. The series is designed to provide insights into emerging issues relevant to current health communication needs.

The programs in the series are listed below:

*Emergency Risk and Public Health Communication: Utilizing a Partner Relay to Share Information with Limited English Proficient Populations* will be held from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. on June 11, 2020. Justine Kozo, MPH, and Candace Hadley share strategies for communicating disaster and emergency preparedness information to immigrant and refugee populations. Justine Kozo serves as chief, Office of Border Health, Public Health Services, County of San Diego, Health & Human Services Agency. Candace Hadley serves as public outreach specialist, Office of Emergency Services, County of San Diego.
Healthcare Council of Western Pennsylvania is a strategic partner with health care providers and affiliated organizations, enabling them to realize their mission while maintaining their status as economically viable entities.

Visit:  http://www.hcwp.org  
Call:  1-800-704-8434

Health Literacy Practices for Telemedicine will be held from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. on June 12, 2020. Ann D. Bagchi, PhD, DNP, FNP-C, APN, assistant professor in the Rutgers’ School of Nursing, will provide an overview of health literacy in telemedicine and practical tools to use on virtual visits.

The Role of Health Literacy in Patient Navigation, will be held from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. on June 16, 2019. Mandi Pratt-Chapman, M.A., Ph.D., HON-OPN-CG, will discuss the importance of incorporating health literacy practices into patient navigation programs.

The State of Numeracy and Decision Making, will be held from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. on June 24, 2020. Ellen Peter, Ph.D., will discuss the state of numeracy and making numeric information accessible and actionable. She is the Philip H. Knight chair and director of the Center for Science Communication Research in the School of Journalism and Communications at the University of Oregon.

The Pennsylvania Health Literacy Coalition supports Healthcare Council’s health literacy program, which is provided by Hillary Holes, Healthcare Council’s director of Health Equity.

For more information about the webinar series or health literacy training and resources contact Hillary Holes or visit the Health Literacy website.

Upcoming Member Meetings

All member meetings will be held via Zoom. The dial-in information will be sent to each Committee prior to the meeting.

Human Resources Committee
New legislation and regulations that have been enacted due to COVID-19 will be the focus of the May 28th HR Committee meeting. Mariah Passarelli, an attorney with the firm Cozen O’Connor, will join the Committee for an “ask the attorney” session. Some of the topics for the session could include the Families First CARES Act Paycheck Protection Program and Payroll Credits, and workers compensation, among others. The meeting will conclude with a roundtable discussion. For more information contact Jane Montgomery.

Supply Chain Professionals Committee
The Supply Chain Professionals Committee will meet on June 2nd. The Committee will continue to share information related to personal protective equipment (PPE), re-opening and increases in services provided, and other supply chain issues. The Committee will also continue to work on the development of an online platform for members to share information on availability and needs for PPE. For more information contact Pat Raffaele.

Fund Development Committee
Event planning and virtual events will be the primary focus of the June 3rd meeting of the Fund Development Committee meeting. Allie Quick, chief philanthropy officer for Allegheny Health Network (AHN), along with Committee Chairs Mary Lee Gannon, president, St. Margaret Foundation, and Rich Mahoney, managing director, Carter, will lead the discussion. The meeting will conclude with a general roundtable discussion. For more information contact Pat Raffaele.

Managed Care Committee
The June 3rd Managed Care Committee meeting will focus on COVID-19 related issues. These include issues related to the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS), other payor-related issues, and care management related issues. Other agenda items include an update on the Rural Payment Model and Medicare and Medicaid issues. The meeting will conclude with a roundtable discussion. For more information contact Denis Lukes or Jane Montgomery.

Chief Nursing Officers Committee
The June 5th Chief Nursing Officers Committee meeting will focus on sharing what has been learned over the past few months as members look forward and prepare for the new “normal”.

The Committee will focus the discussion on four major categories: technology, infection prevention, workforce, and business intelligence. During the technology portion of the discussion, the Committee will be joined by Jeffrey Bomba MBA MSN RN NE-BC, Intensive Care Unit patient care manager, Allegheny Health Network (AHN), Jefferson Regional Hospital. He will discuss the telemedicine ICU program that was established at AHN Jefferson Hospital. For more information contact Jane Montgomery.

HR Survey Update

Labor Turnover Report
There was 100 percent participation in the March Labor Turnover Report, which was distributed to participating members on May 1, 2020.

Benchmark Survey
Healthcare Council is collecting data for the Benchmark Surveys which will be distributed in July.

IDD Benchmark Survey
Healthcare Council is collecting data for the Benchmark Survey designed for Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities members. The reports will be distributed in early July.

For more information on survey data collection contact Steve Forest. For more information on Healthcare Council’s HR Surveys contact Jane Montgomery.
Foundation Responds to COVID-19

Below is a link to an area foundation currently offering emergency funding related to COVID-19. Healthcare Council members may find this information useful.

- [The Heinz Endowments](#)

For more information or to share information about other COVID-19 funding contact [Pat Raffaele](#).