

By Physicians, For Physicians

To All Shore Quality Partners Members,

If you would like to feature content in the newsletter regarding services or announcements in your practice please email them to info@shorequalitypartners.com.

Welcome New Family Medicine Physicians to Shore Quality Partners: Please welcome **Wayne Schneider, MD & Nicole Leo, DO** to Shore Quality Partners. Their practice, Family Practice Associates, is located at 210 Route US 9 S Suite 202 in Marmora. Their office number is (609) 390-0882. The most current roster of SQP Physicians can be found at any time on our website, <http://shorequalitypartners.com/physicians/>.

1.5 CME Opportunity October 20th: Emerging Therapies in Cardiovascular Disease, hosted by Penn Cardiology. Please see the attached flyer for more information. This dinner event will be held from 6:30PM-8:30PM at Atlantic City Country Club. The purpose of this event is to provide an introduction to advanced management of complex cardiac disease. Topics will include updates on antithrombotic therapy, diagnosis and invasive management of pulmonary embolisms, and current indications and follow-up of implantable ICDs. **Please follow this link to register for the course:** <http://penncmeonline.com/Cardiology/Node/57729> and RSVP to Linda Lafferty: 267.234.1136 or linda.lafferty@uphs.upenn.edu

Horizon Quality Metrics: As a reminder, below are the new quality metrics SQP is being scored on for 2015. We have replaced 3 metrics with ones that could be extracted from Horizon's data. SQP must meet 90th percentile on 3 of the 12 metrics.

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| 1. Breast Cancer Screening | 7. Persistence of Beta-Blocker Treatment after a Heart Attack |
| 2. Cholesterol Management for Adults with Cardiovascular Disease | 8. Use of Imaging Studies for Low Back Pain |
| 3. Diabetes: LDL-Screening | 9. Avoidance of Antibiotic Treatment in Adults with Acute Bronchitis |
| 4. Diabetes: HbA1c Testing | 10. Patient Satisfaction: Getting Needed Care |
| 5. Comprehensive Diabetes Care – HbA1c Control (<8%) | 11. Patient Satisfaction: Getting Care Quickly |
| 6. Comprehensive Diabetes Care – LDL-C Control (LDL-C <100mg/DL) | 12. Patient Satisfaction: 8-10 Rating of Personal Doctor |

Cut Metrics:

- Pneumonia Vaccination Status for Older Adults
- Colorectal Cancer Screening
- Comprehensive Diabetes Care – Blood Pressure Control (<140/90)

SQP Admin Office- New Address: Please be advised that the SQP admin office has moved from 52 East New York Ave. We are now located at 415 Shore Road, Somers Point, please send all correspondence to our new address.

ICD-10: Please view the attached link to serve as a reference for ICD-9 to ICD-10 crossover, provided by CMS: <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/HospitalQualityInits/Downloads/HIQR-ICD9-to-ICD10-Tables.pdf>

Care Coordination: We continue to extend our outreach into the community and SQP population. Please keep the Care Coordination team in mind for appropriate patient referrals. To refer a patient for diabetes education, nutrition counseling, medication reconciliation, social services, or expedited appointments, please complete the referral form located on our website <http://shorequalitypartners.com/>.

With Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steven P. Nachtigall". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "S" and "P".

Steven P. Nachtigall, M.D.
Chairperson on behalf of the Board of Directors of SQP