

HEART BEAT

The monthly newsletter from The OSCA

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Insurance & Billing Updates



CareSource Denials Update: OSCA continues to work with CareSource on the outstanding denials and billing issues. As a result of these conversations, we have involved the Ohio Department of Medicaid, as well as OSCA legal counsel on this issue. CareSource states that the recent denials for diagnosis have started because they are now requiring a secondary diagnosis to support the subluxation. The OSCA has asked CareSource to provide that written policy, but they state they do not have a policy that outlines this requirement in writing. We have asked CareSource to go back to their policy team to discuss resolutions.

Specifically, we are asking them to reprocess previously denied claims and to announce diagnosis requirements and policy changes in advance of their effective dates.

Tactics like these put greater administrative burden on our providers and impact the ability of those insured by CareSource to access chiropractic services. OSCA will continue to fight and advocate for improved coverage, clear communication and fair billing practices. Our work on this issue will continue, and we will communicate any updates as we receive them.

Cures Act Deadline - April 5th: Per a previous member update, the Cures Act Deadline for Information blocking began April 5th. The purpose of this section is to prohibit any action or practice that interferes with or prevents access to electronic health information (i.e., information about a patient's medical history or treatment). Even if your office does not have a patient online portal for their health records, there are important things you need to know about this new requirement.

[Click here to view the article on Information Blocking from the Cures Act.](#)

**Click below to take our survey about
upcoming events!**

OSCA DIPLOMATE/ CERTIFICATION SURVEY

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Legislative Updates

Substitute H.R. 1868: The OSCA notified members last week that a version of H.R. 1868 passed the Senate. This bill would suspend the 2% reduction in chiropractic services from the Department of Medicare. Thank you to all those who utilized the Medicare Action Center on the OSCA to support this bill!

In a previous email, the OSCA explained how the Senate version of the bill was slightly different than the version passed by the House. This means the House will have to revote on this bill, and the earliest this will occur is April 13th. In anticipation of this bill passing, Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) are instructed to hold all claims with dates of service April 1st or after. Any claims paid out will also automatically be reprocessed if/when H.R. 1868 is passed. You may also hold your Medicare claims until the suspension takes place.

Once this bill is taken up again in the House of Representatives, the OSCA will update membership on next steps.

House Bill 136: OSCA's House Bill 136 has passed the House Health Committee by unanimous vote on March 16th. This bill would ensure that the Department of Medicaid covers E/M services rendered by DCs for Medicaid recipients. This bill is sponsored by Representative Scott Lipps (R-Franklin), and now awaits a full floor vote before moving over to the Senate Health Committee. OSCA will continue to update members as this bill progresses.

Last Chance to Register BWC Medical and Health Symposium

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Chiropractic Keeps Me Moving 5k!

A quick Q&A for members

If you haven't made a plan for the 2021 Chiropractic Keeps Me Moving Virtual 5k, what are you waiting for!? It has never been easier to get the word out about chiropractic while supporting a great cause. We have resources for however you chose to host this race. Whether you do it with your family, your office, or your district, we want to make sure your race is successful! We've put together a quick Q & A with all the frequently asked questions about the OSCA Virtual 5k!

When is the race?

The race is on whatever day and time works best for you! The great part about the race is that it can be a planned day, where you organize friends to join you and a route to run or it can be as simple as walking outside your house on a nice day!

What if I'm not a runner?

You do not need to run the race! You can walk it, break it up into sections, or even spread it out over a day or two! It is fully customizable to your fitness level! *Plus, if you just sign up for the t-shirt and medal, we won't tell!*

How do I know when I've completed the 5k?

There are apps and websites that can give you a course ahead of running the race. For example if you download MapMyRun from your phone's app store, you can find local routes all around Ohio! It can tell you a course of varying lengths in your area! You can also just start in your neighborhood with an app like RunKeeper and it will track your distance right from your phone!

I've never organized a race. Where do I start?

The best place to start is our members-only Run Marketing Kit! This has all the resources that you can customize for your own race! You can just pick a time and place (maybe a track, a park, or even your office) and get the word out! **Just make sure everyone is registered on the RaceEntry website and signs their liability release before participating!**

What if another District's race date works better for me?

No problem, pick the date that's best for you, even if it's not your district. You can join

them at their in-person event, or you can join them virtually - completing your miles in your own community but on the same date as another district.

How do I sign up?

There is a link on the OSCA website and the Race Entry website to sign up:

[Click here to view the OSCA Event Page to register](#)

[Click here to view the RaceEntry Page to register](#)



**Chiropractic
Keeps Me Moving
VIRTUAL 5K**



District Race Dates

OSCA Office: May 1st
District 1: May 8th
District 4: May 15th
District 5: August 14th
District 7: September 18th
District 8: July 24th

**Dates are subject to change. More dates coming soon!
As this race is virtual, you can run
this race at any time, in any location you chose!*

Run With Us!



**Upcoming
EVENTS**



[Successful ADHD Care - A 2 Part Webinar Series](#)
[May 11th and 18th](#)



Join Dr. Mike Powell from the Carrick Institute for a 2 part webinar series, "Successful ADHD Care." You will learn how to structure care for success with the ADHD patient. The key is understanding what needs to change in the brain; and how to affect it as a Chiropractor.

When:

Part 1: May 11th at 12:30pm

Part 2: May 12th at 12:30pm

Price: Regular Ticket/Neurology Ticket

Members: \$20/\$35

Membership Plus: Free (Please contact the

OSCA office if you need Neurology Diplomate Hours.)

**Please keep in mind that you must register for BOTH events if you wish to take parts 1 and 2!*

This course will not only count for Ohio CE, but for ACNB Continuing Education!

*CE credit applied for by: National University of Health Sciences.

[Click here to register for Part 1.](#)

[Click here to register for Part 2.](#)

*National University of Health Sciences is a CAGEN Approved Provider of Continuing Education. For more information about the ACNB, please log on to [ACNB website.](#)

[ChiroCongress Cinco De Mayo Virtual Party](#)

Join the ChiroCongress Cinco De Mayo Party! This event will connect you with the top vendors and chiropractic businesses across the country! This event is free for students, faculty, doctors, and staff! Don't miss out on motivational speakers and connecting with your colleagues! Support ChiroCongress and OSCA vendors by stopping by on May 5th from 5:30-8:30pm. The first 150 registrants will receive a swag bag!



[Click here to register.](#)

Affiliate Member Spotlight



OSCA Affiliate Member Buckeye X-Ray has been providing Chiropractic Professionals with radiography imaging solutions since 1989! They not only offer the most well known brands in the industry, they also provide unparalleled service. Contact them today to let them help you with your x-ray imaging needs! *Look for their upcoming ad in the next OSCA On Target Magazine!*

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