

The monthly newsletter from The OSCA

**December 2018** 

# **Advocacy Day 2019!**



This is the largest gathering of Ohio's Chiropractors at the Statehouse. Meet with your legislators, speak about the issues important to the profession, and make a difference! The day begins with registration at noon, followed by meetings with various lawmakers, and concludes with a reception from 4pm-6pm.

Here is the tentative schedule of events:

12:00pm - 1:00pm: Arrival (use Ohio Statehouse Parking garages or nearby lots) Please be sure to arrive early, there is heightened security at the Ohio Statehouse.

12:00pm - 1:00pm: Name Tag & Material Pick Up at Statehouse Museum Gallery

1:00 pm − 1:20 pm: Legislative Briefing & Group Photo

1:30pm - 4:00pm: Legislative Visits

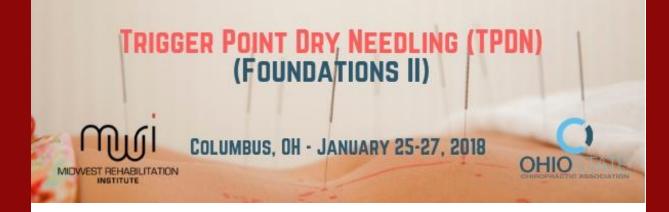
**4:00pm - 6:00pm:** OSCA Legislative Reception (Statehouse Atrium)

\*This schedule is subject to change. Any changes will be sent via email.

There is no cost to attend.

### Click Here to Register!

\*\*Please note, due to the ever changing schedules in the legislature, the OSCA cannot guarantee that everyone will get to meet with the Representative or Senator of their choice. We will make sure that everyone can participate in at least one legislative meeting. Please be sure that you receive emails from osca@oscachiro.org for updates and any changes as they arise.



# **Legislative and Insurance Updates**

New Medicare MBI Card: The Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015 (MACRA) requires CMS to remove Social Security Numbers from all Medicare cards by April 2019. A new, randomly generated Medicare Beneficiary Identifier, or MBI, is replacing the SSN-based HICN. The new MBI is noticeably different than the HICN. Just like with the HICN, the MBI hyphens on the card are for illustration purposes: don't include the hyphens or spaces on transactions. The MBI uses numbers 0-9 and all uppercase letters except for S, L, O, I, B, and Z. We exclude these letters to avoid confusion when differentiating some letters and numbers (e.g., between "0" and "0").

#### Who will be receiving a card and when will they receive it?

All Medicare Beneficiaries will be receiving a new ID card. Some Medicare members have already received their cards, and they will continue to be distributed to members with an anticipated completion date of April 2018. Ohio members began receiving their cards in October 2018 and our geographic region is not yet complete. Click Here for More Information

#### What do new Medicare Cards mean for your office?

During the 2019 calendar year, you may continue to bill with the old Medicare card number OR the new MBI number. Starting January 1, 2020, you must submit bills with the new MBI number ONLY, regardless of the date of service that is being billed.

#### How can I get my patient's MBI number?

#### 1. Ask your Medicare patients

Ask your Medicare patients for their new Medicare card when they come for care. If they haven't received a new card at the completion of their geographic mailing wave, give them the "Still Waiting for Your New Card?" handout (in <u>English</u> or <u>Spanish</u>) or refer them to 1-800-Medicare (1-800-633-4227).

#### 2. Use the secure MBI look-up tool

You can look up MBIs for your Medicare patients when they don't or can't give them. You can use this tool even after the end of the transition period – it doesn't end on 12/31/19.

You must have 3 pieces of your patient's identifying information in order to use this tool:

- a. Correct spelling of the patient's first and last name
- b. Patient's date of birth
- c. Patient's social security number

#### 3. Check the remittance advice

Starting in October 2018 through the end of the transition period, we'll also return the MBI on every remittance advice when you submit claims with valid and active Health Insurance Claim Numbers (HICNs).

#### Click here for more information and to see an image of the new MBI cards

<u>House Bill 338:</u> HB 338 has passed both chambers of the Ohio Legislature. which will expand the scope of practice for <u>all Ohio DCs</u> to include school bus driver physicals. This bill now heads to Governor Kasich's desk for his signature. It will go into law 90 days later. Contact the OSCA with any further questions.

<u>BWC Timed Codes Policy:</u> The OSCA has been continuing to meet with BWC. The bureau has not decided on an official effective date for the new timed codes policy that was supposed to take effect in October. As soon as the OSCA receives more information, we will let you know!



## **Rehab Advanced Standing Program**

Designed for CCSPs (Certified Chiropractic Sports Physicians) who wish to pursue a Diplomate of the American Chiropractic Rehabilitation Board (DACRB). Modules I – III are 12 CEU hours. Module IV is 14 CEU hours.

#### The times for Modules I – III are: Saturday 1:00 pm – 7:00 pm and Sunday 8:00 am – 2:00 pm

#### The times for Module IV are: Saturday 1:00 pm - 8:00 pm and Sunday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Module I – Functional Evaluation - March 2-3, 2019

Module II – Functional Treatment - April 13-14, 2019

Module III – Functional Protocols - May 18-19, 2019

Module IV – Comprehensive Review - June 8-9, 2019 \*\*All Modules include "hands on." \*\*

#### Location:

Chiropractic and Rehab Center 2879 E Dublin Granville Rd Columbus, OH 43231

### Instructors:





Jerrold Simon, DC, DACRB George Petruska, DC, DACRB

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## **Affiliate Spotlight - New Member!**

OSCA welcomes new Standard Affiliate Member Meade & Associates! Meade & Associates believes that success is obtained with teamwork, and they strive to be your partner in providing quality collection services.



With Meade & Associates working on your accounts receivables, your image and reputation will be protected while you benefit from discreet, professional and personal service. They use state-of-the-art software to provide accurate information to their clients. The use of advanced technology allows their collection specialists to work your accounts in the most efficient manner while providing you with outstanding service in retaining patient and customer relations. For more information, visit their website at <a href="meadeandassociates.com">meadeandassociates.com</a> or contact Sean Meade at <a href="meadeandassociates.com">sean@meadeandassociates.com</a>, (phone 614.436.6160).



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