

The monthly newsletter from The OSCA

**July 2019** 

### **Need-To-Know Insurance Updates**

#### **BWC Chiropractic Policy Update**

The OSCA is happy to report that the Ohio BWC has reconsidered their position on all three codes and will reimburse them, including 97140, when provided to the same region as the CMT, when medically necessary.

#### What does this mean for you?

If 97140 and CMT are medically necessary for treatment of the IW, and you have obtained prior authorization by C9, you can perform both treatments in the same region of the body and be reimbursed accordingly. Your documentation must support the use of both services and anyone reviewing your documentation should be able to ascertain that two separate services were provided.



#### **Government Corner**

**The State Budget** - As many of you may have heard, the Ohio Legislature failed to pass their



budget by the July 1st deadline, instead opting to pass a temporary spending bill to continue to work through issues. The OSCA previously notified members of an inclusion that would prohibit all health practioners from contacting any accident victim 30 days after the accident. In the latest version of the budget, this has been removed. We are still monitoring to ensure that no other issues that could affect Ohio DCs.

Medicaid Sub-Bill - The OSCA was notified that the House Health Committee Chair introduced a sub-bill that would require Medicaid to cover evaluation and management (E/M) services. While this was not the OSCA's intent when drafting the bill, we still support the

legislation, as we believe it is still a huge benefit to Doctors of Chiropractic, if it passes. It would also still state that Doctors of Chiropractic should be reimbursed the same for services that other Medical Practitioners provide.

**Summer Recess -** The Ohio Legislature will soon be entering summer recess. Once the final budget has passed, there will be a break in the session schedule. This means that for a few months, all legislation, including OSCA legislation, will remain dormant. During this time, the OSCA is still working with our lobbying team, legislators, and agencies to advocate for our bills and strategize on how to get them passed this fall! Session is scheduled to resume on Wednesday, September 18th.

#### Are you on Find - A - Doc?

Want to make it easier for patients to find you? The OSCA Website is always one of the first websites to come up on google when patients are looking for a chiropractor. Help them find you by updating your member profile with what your office offers and what zip codes you serve!

It's easy! Just log in to your OSCA profile and click on "edit my Member Profile." Click all your surrounding zip codes to appear in those searches from those members. Please note



that you should check all the zip codes, and not just your own. This way, surrounding area patients can find you. You can also enter which languages you speak, any post-graduate certificates, techniques and procedures your office provides! This is a great member benefit that is often overlooked!

Help patients find you and update your profile! It only takes a few minutes and you can have new patients coming to you from the OSCA website! If you have any questions, feel free to call the OSCA office.



# Acupuncture License Renewal at Annual Convention!

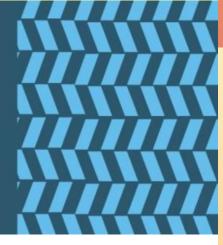
We're happy to announce that we will be offering 12 CEs of acupuncture at this year's OSCA Annual Convention, November 1-3, 2019! This will fulfill the license renewal requirements for acupuncture in Ohio. Stay

tuned for more details and registration!

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS



UPCOMING EVENTS



Webinars
Announced!

SUMMER
WEBINAR
SERIES

BEAT THE HEAT THIS SUMMER AND STAY INSIDE TO LEARN!
TUESDAYS AT 12:30~ ALL SUMMER LONG
STAY TUNED FOR MORE GREAT WEBINARS COMING LATER
THIS SUMMER!

July 23, 2019 - Best Practices for Managing Knee Pain with Dr. Brandon Steele August 6, 2019 - How to Protect Your Fee with Keith Karr August 13, 2019 - Plantar Fasciitis: Beyond the Frozen Water Bottle with Dr. Kelly Duffner



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