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Affiliate News

32 Attend Education Coordinator Summit

Education Coordinators spent a very productive meeting in Boston on May 14-15 developing strategies to enhance the role of education coordinators and to improve education programming. Ask them to share what they learned.

- As always, sharing best practices was the most popular part of the meeting.
- Findings from the time studies completed for the meeting indicate education coordinators average 54% of time in patient activities, 32% of it billable.
- Behavioral outcome results indicated that 77% of patients completed follow up and 92% of the time patients made some progress toward goals.

Center Administrators and Education Coordinators don't miss the June 17th noon conference call to discuss follow-up from the Summit.

Center Administrator Orientation

Welcome to Nancy Daoust (SUNY Upstate Medical University), Hope Fluharty (Southview Hospital) and Rose Czarnecki (Western Pennsylvania Hospital) who attended May 4-5 center administrator orientation. Feedback was that separate center administrator orientation is better than combining it with clinicians.

Successful Conference Call on Inpatient Management

Thanks to Tom Donner, MD, UMMS and Steve Quevedo, MD, Lawrence & Memorial for facilitating a lively discussion of inpatient diabetes management on May 18th. Articles are posted at

http://www.joslin.org/affiliates/Affiliates_Index_ConferenceCallMinutes.asp

Affiliate Resources - Make Sure You've Seen:

- 2008 Annual Report shipped to affiliates. During the Education Summit Education Coordinators received:

- Revised Diabetes Update Manual
- On the Road kit including training manual, 3 booklets, CD and DVD.

Look for the semi-annual book order coming soon and consider trying some new materials free of charge.

Focus On Patients



Improved Nutrition Coverage for Children

MNT is currently only a covered service if the beneficiary has diabetes or kidney disease. However, thanks to a new joint initiative of the American Heart Association and the William J. Clinton Foundation, many insurance providers will now cover visits to the RD for children without diabetes to manage their weight. See if the insurance providers in your area are part of the early adopters of this program (see link below).

http://www.eatright.org/cps/rde/xchg/ada/hs.xsl/media_2034_1_ENU_HTML.htm

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Journey in Caring™ Launches Nation-Wide

As reported at the fall Affiliate Annual Meeting, the pilot phase of the Journey in Caring™ program proved to be very successful. This initiative uses CDEs to improve diabetes care and information in primary care practices and will be rolled out nationwide in May. Journey in Caring is an educational program developed by Joslin and funded by Lilly. The attached information flyer provides more details and lists the locations of the CDEs who have been trained for the national launch.

<http://www.joslin.org/affiliates/LillyJICInfoforAffiliatesfinal.doc>

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Continuing Education

Your Patient is Waiting ...Online

Members of the Joslin Professional Educational Consortium (JPEC™) Web site (www.jpec.joslin.org) can now go to the diabetes neuropathies portal to see a patient with diabetes named Michael who is complaining of leg pain. In the Joslin Virtual Clinic, you can select tests for workup and review treatment plans for Michael, while learning from Joslin experts and earning CME credit. Go to <http://www.jpec.joslin.org/> and visit the Joslin Virtual Clinic to participate in this online patient visit simulation.



Save the Date

Upcoming Conference Calls

Date/Time	Topic	Facilitator
June 17, noon	Follow Up from Summit for Education Coordinators & Center Administrators	Elaine Sullivan & Carole' Mensing
July 20, noon	Getting Patients Moving: Enhancing Your Exercise Services	Jackie Shahar, RCEP
Aug 13, 9 PM	Physician Discussion of Fatty Liver Disease	TBA
Sept 29, noon	Getting Patients Connected to Mental Health Services	Ann Goebel-Fabbri & Melinda Maryniuk

Events and Training

- **June 7, Affiliate ADA Dinner Meeting in New Orleans** (contact megan.magoon@joslin.harvard.edu)
- **Sept 14, Physician and Nurse Practitioner Orientation; Sept 14-15 Educator Orientation**
- **Oct 26-27, Annual Meeting for Center Administrators and Medical Directors**

Based on feedback from Affiliates for both Orientation and Annual Meeting, events will begin with Sunday evening dinner this year. Physicians will be able to leave after 5 PM on Monday.