

SGR Update

On Saturday December 17, the Senate approved a two-month reprieve from the 27 percent Medicare physician payment cut scheduled to take effect January 1, as well as extension of important expiring programs, including benefits for the long-term unemployed and current payroll tax rates. The AMA strongly opposes further short term patches to the sustainable growth rate. These views are being conveyed to Congress in the strongest possible terms. For additional information please read the AMA's response at: <http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/home.page>

Fanny Berg – Dermatologist

United Medical is excited to announce a new variety of services offered by Delaware based Dermatologist, Fanny J. Berg, MD.

Dr. Berg has over 25 years of private practice experience treating a variety of skin disorders and provides personal care with the most up to date medical therapies and cosmetic rejuvenative techniques.

Services Available:

- ✂ General Dermatology
- ✂ Skin Rejuvenation
- ✂ Laser & Light Treatment
- ✂ Fat & Cellulite Reduction
- ✂ Medical Aesthetician Services
- ✂ “Coolsculpting” – **NEW!**
 - Coolsculpting is designed for those who have what's called “stubborn fat”. Stubborn fat represents our ‘spare tire’ or ‘muffin top’ that just won't go away no matter how hard we exercise.
 - Coolsculpting is a non surgical procedure that safely freezes fat cells without damaging your skin. The frozen fat cells slowly break down and melt away! There's no knife, no needle, no laser, no downtime, and no worries! Check out the Coolsculpting website for more details and video testimonials - www.coolsculpting.com

Visit Dr. Berg's websites for more details and exclusive offers!

Business Page – www.FannyJBerg-md.com

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Tamper-Resistant Prescriptions Required March 1

Delaware-licensed physicians and others with prescriptive authority must begin using new State-approved tamper-resistant prescription forms when writing paper prescriptions **no later than March 1, 2012**. The prescription forms must be purchased from vendors that have registered with the Delaware Division of Professional Regulation. Vendors have until the end of December to register with the Division. The list of registered vendors is available at: <http://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/prescriptions/regvendors.shtml>.

Getting ready for 5010

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) mandate includes upgrading the current electronic transaction standard for health care claims, remittance advices, eligibility and claims status to X12 version 5010. Since the changes cover the data you submit with your claims as well as the data you receive in response to your electronic inquiries, implementation may require changes to the software, systems and procedures you use for billing your transactions. We will continue assisting our clients to reach 5010 standards by the deadline. Meanwhile through testing you may see some rejections from clearinghouse, we will work on them daily and correct possible problems with either clearinghouse or Cerner.

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