

Modifier 59 Webinar Available

Correctly reporting modifier 59 can be a challenge even for the experienced coder, but doing so inappropriately puts your practice at risk. Reporting the modifier incorrectly could be considered over-coding, thus causing a compliance problem. Failing to append Modifier 59 when appropriate may result in lost revenue. The AMA Practice Management Center has developed a 20-minute educational webinar, *Definitions and Use of Modifier 59*, which can be viewed at any time at <https://cc.readytalk.com/cc/playback/Playback.do?id=hg4epu>. AMA membership is not required.

Take Steps Now to Avoid 2013 e-Prescribing Penalty

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) is urging physicians to report at least 10 electronic prescriptions by June 30, 2012, to avoid the 2013 Medicare e-prescribing penalty, which will be a 1.5 percent reduction of 2013 Medicare Part B payments. Physicians may also file for a hardship exemption, but must do so by June 30, 2012.

Dr. Galicano Inguito Elected to Executive Committee of the Federation of State Medical Boards

Please join Kemal Erkan and United Medical in congratulating Dr. Galicano Inguito for his election to the office of Treasurer of the Federation of State Medical Boards!

Dr. Inguito is an exemplary advocate for the State of Delaware. Through his role as Treasurer, Delaware will continue to have a strong presence as part of the Federation of State Medical Boards.

We are proud to have Dr. Inguito as part of the United Medical network of physicians!

Congratulations, Dr. Inguito!

Delegates at the Federation of State Medical Boards' 100th Annual Meeting, held April 26-28 in Fort Worth, Texas, elected new officers, board members and committee members. Dr. Galicano F. Inguito, Jr., MD, MBA (Delaware) was elected to the office of Treasurer of the Federation of State Medical Boards. Dr.

Inguito recently served on the FSMB Board of Directors from 2009-2012 as well as the Executive Committee in 2012. His Federation activities include the Nominating Committee from 2005-2007, FSMB liaison to the Federation Credentials Verification Service (FCVS), and United States Medical Licensing Examination Step 3 Committee. He also served as a member of the Accreditation Review Committee of the Accreditation Council of Continuing Medical Education (ACCME). Dr. Inguito was a Physician Board member of the Delaware Board of Licensure and Discipline from 2001-2010, serving as President in 2008-2009. He was honored by the Delaware Academy of Family Physicians as the 2008-2009 Family Physician of the Year.

The FSMB is a national non-profit organization representing all medical boards within the United States and its territories that license and discipline allopathic and osteopathic physicians and, in some jurisdictions, other health care professionals. It assists these state and territorial medical boards as they go about their mandate of protecting the public's health, safety and welfare. The FSMB leads by promoting excellence in medical practice, licensure, and The Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) plays an important role in protecting the public from the unprofessional, improper, unlawful, fraudulent and/or incompetent practice of medicine.``

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