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Time Is Running Out to Receive Maximum EHR Incentive Payments

October 3, 2012, is the last day to start the 90-day Meaningful Use reporting period to receive maximum Medicare Electronic Health Records (EHR) incentive payments. 2012 is the last year that a physician can begin participation in the Medicare EHR incentive program and receive the maximum incentive of \$44,000. If you delay until next year, you will lose out on the first \$18,000 incentive payment. In order to receive the maximum incentive, you need to begin the process of achieving Meaningful Use NOW!

Source:MSD

Blue Cross Blue Shield Officially Changes Name

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Delaware has officially changed its name to Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield Delaware (Highmark Delaware) to reflect the affiliation with Pennsylvania-based Highmark Inc. Current relationships with members and health care professionals have not changed. As a result of the new relationship, physicians will have access to enhanced services including real-time claims estimation and adjudication, innovative reimbursement approaches, and data sharing capabilities after the transition is complete in the Spring of 2013. Members who require a new benefits card will be issued a Highmark Delaware branded card. All claims processing information on the card will remain the same. For more information visit the new web address, www.highmarkbcbsde.com.

Source: MSD

New Doctor for Delaware Cardiovascular Associates

On behalf of DCA, it is our pleasure to announce that **Dr. Heather Horton** has joined Delaware Cardiovascular Associates on July 24, 2012 in the Northern region with privileges at Christiana and St. Francis Hospitals.

After earning her medical degree from Drexel (now the Medical College of Pennsylvania), Dr. Horton completed her internship and Cardiology Fellowship at The Lankenau Hospital and Medical Research Center in Philadelphia. After her training, Dr. Horton started her career at Great Valley Cardiology in Scranton, PA for five years and moved to Geisinger in Wilkes-Barre to open their Heart Hospital, followed by 4 years in Ohio. Most recently, Dr. Horton worked for Christiana Care Cardiology of Southern Chester County in West Grove, PA before deciding to join DCA.

Please join us in welcoming Dr. Horton and her family to Delaware Cardiovascular Associates.

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