Pennsylvania Academy of Ophthalmology



THE Voice of Pennsylvania's Eye MDs



BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

Payer Representation

Through its representation on Pennsylvania's Medicare Contractor Advisory Committee and relationships with many major third party payers, the PAO monitors, provides input and reports to its members on new rules, regulations, and changes that affect both the practice of ophthalmology and the quality of medical care delivered to the citizens of Pennsylvania.

Legislative Advocacy

To ensure that the concerns for quality patient care are addressed in the legislature, the PAO has been working hard to develop and maintain a strong, positive relationship with our state legislators.

Coding and Billing Seminars

The PAO sponsors a series of coding seminars across the state. The programs assist Ophthalmologists and their office staff with documentation and reimbursement issues.

Coding and Reimbursement Assistance Program

The PAO acts as an advocate for coding and reimbursement problems and third party payer questions. Members may contact us with their questions and PAO representatives will work to resolve policy and reimbursement issues on their behalf.

Savings on your malpractice insurance

PAO members who are OMIC policy holders are eligible to receive a 10% risk management premium discount per year.

Liaison with Other Medical Societies

AAO Council—The specific concerns of Pennsylvania Ophthalmologists are advanced at the national level by the PAO's three representatives to the AAO Council.

Pennsylvania Medical Society—The PAO is represented on the Pennsylvania Medical Society's Specialty Leadership Cabinet (SLC). The SLC provides direct input to the Pennsylvania Medical Society's Board of Directors.

Bulletins and Alerts

FOCUS, PAO's timely news bulletin, keeps members informed of developments in the rapidly changing health care environment.

Website www.paeyemds.org

Be sure to log on to keep informed about what is happening in Pennsylvania and how it affects your profession.

Find an Eye MD—A searchable database that allows the public to search for an ophthalmologist in their area.

Fast Track—A special searchable directory of ophthalmologists who have agreed to schedule diabetic patients on an expedited basis in order to screen for diabetic retinopathy.

Join Online at www.paeyemds.org.