

The New Jersey
Allergy Asthma & Immunology Society, Inc.
MEETING NOTICE

Friday January 8th, 2010
Time: 9:00am to 4:00pm

“Reimbursement and Coding Update for Asthma, Allergy and Immunology”
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Learning objectives: After the session, the participant will be able to:

- 1- Maximize reimbursements of medical procedures through the utilization of applicable procedural and diagnostic codes resulting in appropriate patient care.
- 2- Employ coding techniques which will result in more accurate and timely reimbursement.

Target Audience: Practicing Allergists, Fellows in Training in Allergy & Immunology and Practice Administrators.

Please RSVP by December 30th, 2009

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Meeting Agenda

Begin 9AM ending at 4PM. Mid morning and lunch breaks provided

HANDLE SPECIAL ALLERGY, ASTHMA & IMMUNOLOGY SITUATIONS

- * New descriptions on PFT codes
- * Allergen Reimbursement - what are the rules
- * Preauthorization for allergy consultations - what's needed
- * Procedures and E & M allergy, asthma & immunology services on the same day
- * Reimbursement for patient education by your licensed assistant
- * Two different complaints on the same day - reimbursement for both
- * Consultation documentation requirements
- * Non-covered services documentation requirements
- * Using the 59 modifier
- * Patch testing reimbursement
- * V codes / E codes
- * Bundling - what codes can be billed separately?

Special Section: 2010 CPT & ICD-9 changes.

CONSULT vs. REFERRAL, get CMS's latest clarification.

- * Review of the latest changes in allergy coding requirements from Medicare and other carriers. It makes the difference for best payments for the patient. Who can sign for the patient? What about Medigap?
- * Learn how to code "Rule Out" diagnosis correctly when there is no definite diagnosis for the allergy/asthma problem.
- * Specificity of codes equals greater reimbursement in allergy/asthma and is required by most carriers. Avoid Medicare's "truncated" rejections or not medically necessary rejection.
- * When do you list more than just your allergy, asthma & immunology diagnosis code? Money is being missed!
- * Working with new latest *evaluation and management definitions*. E & M guidelines for documentation are changing. We'll discuss the latest.
- * Should you "unbundle" or do the insurance carriers "improperly bundle"? Medicare's "Correct Coding Policy" keeps changing on bundling.

Registration: Members: free. Non-members/ Practice Administrators: \$65

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