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SCHOOLS OUT FOR THE SUMMER!

Important Upcoming Dates

Executive Committee Meeting

July 21, 2009

1:00 p.m. (note time change)

Did you know?

MCSIG has saved nearly \$3M in pharmacy costs (as determined by an outside auditing firm) since July 2007 by participating in the Keenan Pharmacy Purchasing Coalition!!!

Executive Committee Members

Garry Bousum, President
Robert Della Rosa, Vice President (CTA)

Sara Perez, Treasurer
Dee Baker, Member
Robin Blakley, Member
Peggy Gilkey, Member (CTA)
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Executive Director Update

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Please join MCSIG in welcoming our newest Executive Committee management member, Dee Baker, Superintendent, Washington Union School District. **Welcome, Dee!**

The Executive Committee will continue working through the summer to address the challenge of providing a high value medical insurance program at affordable costs for our members.

In July the Committee will view a presentation by TelaDoc, Inc. TelaDoc is a telephone cross-coverage provider that contracts with board certified, licensed primary care physicians across the U.S. to provide clients with 24/7/365 access to physicians by telephone who can diagnose, recommend treatment and prescribe medication, when appropriate, for minor, common illnesses. MCSIG is considering TelaDoc as a strategy to address inappropriate emergency room utilization and thereby decrease costs.

MCSIG ACTIVITIES

We are currently auditing the Medicare enrollments for all member districts to make sure that all are paying the correct medical premiums for their Medicare members.

We are preparing for the regular flu shot season and we are making contingency plans to offer separate H1N1 flu shots should they become available.

SEVERANCE PACKAGES AND MCSIG

Just a reminder...if your district is offering a severance package involving payment for medical insurance through MCSIG:

- Be sure to turn the termination paperwork into MCSIG ASAP. (Terminated employees may not be kept on MCSIG as active employees. Doing so may jeopardize our stop-loss reimbursements).
- Tell the employee that in order to take advantage of their severance medical benefit, they MUST complete and return the COBRA notice they will receive from MCSIG.
- If the employee signs up for COBRA, MCSIG will bill the district for the requisite number of months of full COBRA premium.

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