

NECoMG 2019 SPECIALISTS MEETING ATTENDANCE POLICY

In order to be eligible for participation in the 2019 budget efficiency and quality surplus sharing, the policy outlined below must be followed. Please see the **Minimum Requirements for Budget Efficiency and Quality Surplus Sharing Participation** for further details on the amount that will be forfeited for not fulfilling the meeting attendance requirements.

Specialty Physicians

- Physicians are expected to be present for the entire meeting and sign in to receive credit.
- All Specialists must attend at least 2 meetings:

Group One: consists of the following Specialists: Cardiology, Emergency Medicine, Endocrinology, Gastroenterology, OB/GYN and Pulmonary.

Meeting One:

- Open Meeting I
- All specialists listed as Group One must attend one of the Open Meeting I meetings. Please note attendance at one of these meetings is **mandatory** to participate in budget efficiency and quality surplus sharing.

Please note the same presentation will be repeated at each of the three Open Meeting I meeting times. Attendance at more than one Open Meeting I meeting will not provide additional attendance credit.

Meeting Two:

- Group One: A specialty-specific meeting will be scheduled twice per year. Dates will be provided well in advance of the meetings. Specialists in this group must attend one specialty-specific meeting as their second meeting. The Annual Meeting and Open Meeting II meetings are optional meetings but will not provide attendance credit.

Group Two (consists of Specialists not outlined above)

Meeting One:

- Open Meeting I
- All specialists listed as Group Two must attend one of the Open Meeting I meetings. Please note attendance at one of these meetings is **mandatory** to participate in budget efficiency and quality surplus sharing.

Please note the same presentation will be repeated at each of the three Open Meeting I meeting times. Attendance at more than one Open Meeting I meeting will not provide additional attendance credit.

Meeting Two:

- For Group Two: Specialists may choose the **NECoMG Annual Meeting** or one of the **Open Meeting II** meetings, as their second meeting.

Please note that the same presentation will be repeated at each of the three Open Meeting II meeting times. Attendance at more than one Open Meeting II meeting will not provide additional attendance credit.

- New specialists who attend Physician Orientation can apply that meeting toward their meeting attendance criteria.
- Specialists will not receive meeting credit if their Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant attends the NP/PA meetings.

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New Physicians

All new Physician members must attend Physician Orientation within 90 days of their practice effective date (or NECoMG effective date, whichever is later) to receive 100% of their earned budget efficiency and quality surplus. If Physician attends orientation after 90 days of the practice effective date (or NECoMG effective date, whichever is later), eligibility for budget efficiency and quality surplus sharing will begin as of the first day of the month following attendance. Orientation meetings will be held once a month.

Important Information

Attendance Reports: All physicians are responsible for monitoring their own meeting attendance. The attendance will be updated monthly and may be viewed on the Northeast PHO website: www.nepho.org

It is the responsibility of all physicians to sign the attendance sheet at every meeting. No credit for meeting attendance will be given in the absence of a signature.

Definitions

Budget Efficiency Surplus/Deficit: The amount the Health Plans shall pay to the Northeast PHO if the Northeast PHO has a budget surplus or the amount the Health Plans shall collect from the Northeast PHO if the Northeast PHO has a budget deficit.

Quality Surplus: The amount the Health Plans shall pay to the Northeast PHO for meeting quality targets outlined in the contracts.

If you have any questions regarding the attendance policy please contact *Stacey Keough, Executive Director at the Northeast PHO*. Email: stacey.keough@lahey.org or Phone: 978-816-2010.