

## NECoMG 2019 PCP 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.

### **Primary Care Physicians: Internal Medicine & Family Practice**

- Physicians are required to attend 9 or more monthly PCP POD meetings.
- POD meetings are held monthly. If a PCP cannot attend the POD meeting to which he/she was assigned, attendance credit can be earned for attending any of the other POD meetings held in that same month.
- POD meetings will be a minimum of 30 minutes in length. Physicians are expected to be present for the entire meeting and sign in to receive credit.
- Up to two of the following 3 meetings can be substituted for POD meeting credits.
  - 1) Open Meeting I
    - *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.*
  - 2) NECoMG Annual Meeting
  - 3) Open Meeting II
    - *Please note 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 PCPs who attend Physician Orientation can apply that meeting toward their meeting attendance criteria.
- PCPs will not receive meeting credit if their Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant attends an NP/PA meeting.

### **Primary Care Physicians: Pediatrics**

- Physicians are required to attend 5 or more monthly PCP POD meetings.
- Six Pediatric POD meetings will be offered each year.
- POD meetings will be a minimum of 30 minutes in length. Physicians are expected to be present for the entire meeting and sign in to receive credit.
- One of the following 3 meetings can be substituted for a POD meeting credit.
  - 4) Open Meeting I
    - *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.*
  - 5) NECoMG Annual Meeting
  - 6) Open Meeting II
    - *Please note 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.*
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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](http://www.nepho.org)

It is the responsibility of all physicians to sign the attendance sheet at every meeting they attend. 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](mailto:stacey.keough@lahey.org) or Phone: 978-816-2010.