

2008 Physician Quality Reporting Initiative (PQRI) National Provider Question & Answer Session

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services' (CMS) Provider Communications Group announces the first in a series of national provider conference calls on the 2008 Physician Quality Reporting Initiative (PQRI). This toll-free call will take place from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., EST, on Wednesday, November 28, 2007.

The call will cover the 2008 provisions of the Physician Quality Reporting Initiative that were included in the 2008 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Final Rule. This will include a discussion of the 119 PQRI measures available for eligible professionals to select for 2008.

Information on the 2007 and 2008 PQRI programs are posted to the PQRI web page located at, <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PQRI>, on the CMS website. The website is continually being updated, so check it often for the most current information available. There are many educational resources available on the webpage, so feel free to download the available resources prior to the call. This toll-free question and answer teleconference will provide eligible professionals the opportunity to ask questions of CMS subject matter experts.

Conference call details:

Date: November 28, 2007
Conference Title: 2008 Physician Quality Reporting Initiative National Provider Call
Time: 3:00-5:00 p.m. EST

In order to receive the call-in information, you must register for the call. It is important to note that, if you are planning to sit in with a group, only one person needs to register to receive the call-in data. This registration is solely to reserve a phone line, NOT to allow participation. If you cannot attend the call, replay information is available below.

Registration will close at 3:00 p.m. EST on November 27, 2007, or when available space has been filled. No exceptions will be made, so please be sure to register prior to this time.

1. To register for the call participants need to go to:
<http://www2.eventsvc.com/palmettogba/112807>
2. Fill in all required data.
3. Verify that your time zone is displayed correctly in the drop down box.
4. Click "Register".

5. You will be taken to the “Thank you for registering” page and will receive a confirmation email shortly thereafter. Note: Please print and save this page in the event that your server blocks the confirmation emails. If you do not receive the confirmation email, please check your spam/junk mail filter as it may have been directed there.

For those of you who are unable to attend, a replay option will be available shortly following the end of the call. This replay will be accessible from 5:30 p.m. EST 11/28/2007 until 11:59 p.m. EST 12/05/2007. The call-in data for the replay is: 800-642-1687 and the passcode is 24215922.