

Reimbursing thoughtful MOLST Discussions Webinar

Meeting Description:

The recently released IOM report –*Dying in America: Improving Quality and Honoring Individual Preferences Near the End of Life* calls for improved reimbursement for thoughtful end-of-life discussions. Thoughtful MOLST conversations take time and may compete for attention with more immediate priorities between provider and patient. As a result, only a superficial review of end-of-life goals for care often occurs. In addition, providers are under pressure to see a certain number of patients each day to keep their practice viable.

Excellus BlueCross BlueShield understands that a medical practice is also a business and reimburses providers for end-of-life discussions that not only compensates them for their time, but also provides an incentive to make the process standard practice through the eMOLST system.

With health plans reimbursing physicians to clarify end-of-life care goals, patients can avoid unwanted and costly medical interventions and gain more control over their desired health care, and the physician-patient bond is strengthened.

Please join Dr. Pat Bomba for a webinar focused on "Reimbursing Thoughtful MOLST Discussions." Learn about Excellus BCBS's innovative model, how discussions can be billed in the current fee-for-service world, and a "best practice" model used in a physician's office practice.

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Details

Date: Wed, Nov 19, 2014
Time: 10:00 AM EST
Duration: 1 hour
Host(s): PATRICIA BOMBA

Presenter Information

Dr. Pat Bomba, MD, FACP



Patricia A. Bomba, MD, FACP is a nationally-recognized palliative care and end-of-life expert who designs and oversees the implementation of community projects, as she serves as the Vice Pres. and Medical Dir., Geriatrics for Excellus BCBS. She is a member of the Institute of Medicine's Committee on Transforming End-of-life Care. She chairs the MOLST Statewide Implementation Team and the National Healthcare Decisions Day New York State Coalition, serves as eMOLST Program Director and New York State's representative on the National POLST Paradigm Task Force, a multistate collaborative, and is a member of the Medical Society of the State of New York Ethics Committee.

Dr. Bomba attended Immaculata College, the University of Virginia School of Medicine, and completed her residency training in Internal Medicine at the University of Rochester. She is board certified in both Internal Medicine and Geriatrics.