

HFPN News



Dear Colleague,

The announcement this week regarding the joint venture between Henry Ford Health and Ascension Michigan came as a fascinating piece of information that is sure to have a direct – and positive – impact on the healthcare market in Southeast Michigan.

The HFPN will maintain its strong ties to all its members and will be poised to explore ways to add even more value for its members. We would like to share with you this [short video](#) from Henry Ford President and CEO **Bob Riney** and other leaders regarding the joint venture.

[Learn More About AI: Register Now for HFPN Summit](#)

As you likely know, our 2023 [HFPN Summit](#) is fast approaching! We are opening this Summit to all HFPN members, including all members of Physician Organizations that are part of the HFPN. Please share this with your colleagues so that they, too, may benefit from the information shared at the event.

We have switched things up a bit this year, offering the Summit on **Thursday evening, November 9th**. A networking and cocktail hour with appetizers will be held from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., with the program running from 6:30 to 8 p.m. (1.5 CMEs available). If you have not already registered to attend this informative and enriching evening event, please take time now to scan the QR code or [go here](#) to register. For those unable to attend in person, there is a virtual option.

Our topic this year is one that elicits varied sentiments amongst our clinical peers, staff and, certainly, our patients. **AI: What's it got to do with you?** promises to answer many of your questions about how artificial intelligence can assist you, how it can help provide better patient outcomes and, despite these benefits, how it must be used appropriately.

The keynote speaker at this event is Henry Ford Health Chief Medical Informatics Officer **David Allard, MD**, who has a deep knowledge of this ongoing and upcoming shift in the clinical space. A Q&A session will follow Dr. Allard's presentation.



Immediately after the keynote, a panel of experts from various stages of the lifecycle of AI will present short "Ted Talks" regarding their connection to AI, and a Q&A will follow. The panelists for this event are Henry Ford VP of Primary Care **Michele Aarons-Jackson**; EVP of Strategic Innovation and Chief Clinical Officer of AVIA **Scott Cullen, MD**; Henry Ford Radiologist/AI investigator **Chad Klochko, MD**; and Henry Ford Associate Counsel **Lauren Willens, JD**.

We are thrilled to have Lauren present on the legal ramifications of AI, as this is one area that gives many providers pause and could slow the adoption of this inevitable and essential technology. Here is a small sample of the kind of information Lauren will introduce at the Summit regarding the influx of AI into clinical practice and how governance will play a large role:

“AI is here and will continue to revolutionize healthcare. It provides opportunities to reduce human error, assist medical professionals and staff, decrease healthcare provider burnout and provide patient services 24/7. As AI tools continue to develop, there is potential to use AI even more in reading medical images, X-rays and scans, diagnosing medical problems and creating customized treatment plans.



“As AI becomes more utilized in healthcare delivery and more AI applications are developed, ethical and regulatory governance must simultaneously be established. Issues that raise concern include the possibility of bias, privacy concerns regarding data use for training AI models, and safety and liability issues. As such, AI governance is imperative to the success of clinical applications of the technology.

“Because AI is largely new territory, there is a lack of common rules and guidelines. The common goal in the healthcare community needs to be both maximizing technology and holding healthcare systems accountable and responsive to the communities and the patients they serve.”

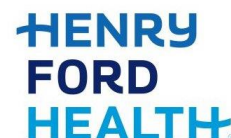


This is just a sample of the enriching and thought-provoking information you will receive by attending the Summit. Because of the wide range of providers who will likely be able to incorporate AI into their daily work, this Summit is open to all Henry Ford Health-affiliated clinicians, nurses, Mas and APPs, including all members of HFPN POs or others who want to learn more about how AI can advance their work, provide support and improve the health outcomes of their patients.

You can register for this free Summit by scanning the QR code or by going to the [HFPN website](#) where you will find a [registration link](#). Should you have any questions related to the Summit, please [reach out to our team via email](#).

GM ConnectedCare: Contract Extension Agreed Upon

We are extremely happy to announce that the HFPN has reached a verbal agreement with General Motors on a five-year extension of the GM ConnectedCare direct-to-employer contract. Both the HFPN and GM leaders are thrilled to continue with this successful partnership that began in 2019 to ensure high quality care for all of its GM enrollees.



Over the course of the upcoming weeks, we will complete the paperwork on this agreement. Once that is completed and the contract is signed, we will then communicate details to all of our providers regarding performance and quality measurements included in this renewed contract. In the meantime, GM will continue to offer this exceptional healthcare plan option to all of its Southeast Michigan salaried employees and their families.

We are excited that we will continue our partnership with GM for the next five years, to benefit their employees and to offer our providers with this unique D2E contract opportunity.

Addressing D2E on APG Stage

HFPN President and CEO **Bruce Muma, MD, FACP** will be part of a panel at the America's Physician Groups' (APG) Fall Conference at the end of this month. The subject is [Taking Responsibility for America's Health](#).



Dr. Muma will participate in this panel discussion on October 31 that will look at direct-to-employer (D2E) contracts and the lessons learned. He will focus on the General Motors ConnectedCare contract and what the HFPN and GM have learned during the last six years of this partnership.

Important Changes to Risk Adjustment Model

Rob Drainville, MBA, who is Henry Ford's Manager for Risk Adjustment & Value-based Payment wanted to ensure all our HFPN providers are aware of updated risk adjustment methodologies from CMS. These were released by CMS this past spring.

The 2024 calendar year Medicare Advantage and Part D Rate announcement – the final rate notice – includes to the capitation and risk adjustment methodologies used to calculate payments to MA plans. Among other provisions, this year's notice includes the following significant changes:

Changes effective for the 2024 payment year (2023 dates of service)
Final Rule Published on March 31, 2023

Changes in Model v28

- HCC Categories increasing from 86 to 115 with a new numbering system and category weights
- Decreasing from 9,797 to 7,770 diagnosis codes
- -↓ Removal of approximately 2,000 diagnosis codes;
- -↑ Addition of approximately 250 diagnosis codes

Risk Scores will be a blend of the old and new model for the next two years.

Date of Service	Payment Year	CMS Risk Score Calculation	
2023	2024	Model v24 = 67%	Model v28 = 33%
2024	2025	Model v24 = 33%	Model v28 = 67%
2025	2026	Model v28 = 100%	

They key takeaways include:

- Providers remain obligated to assign diagnosis codes in accordance with ICD-10 and other applicable standards, regardless of these HCC reconfigurations.
- Edit the problem list to have the most accurate and specific diagnosis that matches the patient's current condition.
- Provider workflow is not changing with the new HCC model; you can continue to use the HCC-BPA as your best guide for what conditions need to be addressed.

Should you have any questions regarding these changes or other coding related questions please contact the coding hub [via email](#) or by calling 313-556-7899. You can also learn more on the [Documentation and Coding OneHENRY page](#).

Mosaic ACO Achieves \$14.3 Million in Shared Savings

For those HFPN members who are part of the [Mosaic Accountable Care Organization](#) – a wholly owned subsidiary of Henry Ford Health that includes Covenant HealthCare Partners, HFPN and Jackson Health Network – the results of our first performance year (2022) [have been released](#). We are extremely proud to say that Mosaic achieved \$14.3 million in shared savings in the inaugural participation year of this CMS Medicare Shared Savings Program (MSSP). Of that total amount, \$10.5 million is being retained by Mosaic for reinvestment and distribution amongst its providers.



While the HFPN was collectively confident in the potential success of Mosaic in the first year, these earnings exceeded expectations.

Dr. Muma, who is also CEO and CMO of Mosaic, had high hopes for Mosaic's first year. Still, he was extremely pleased with the inaugural return.

"In our first year joining forces with JHN and CHP, we are thrilled that our combined efforts have resulted in such favorable proof of the quality of care delivered, in addition to significant financial gain for Mosaic ACO and for CMS," Dr. Muma said.

Mosaic ACO leadership is available to discuss with any interested HPFN primary care provider how they might join Mosaic for calendar year 2025. If interested, please [connect directly with Aaron Sohaski](#) to discuss future inclusion. And if you have any questions regarding the structure and functioning of the ACO, please connect directly with Mosaic Director of Operations [Jodie Elsberg](#).

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