

Join an EDPMA Committee Today!

The real work at EDPMA is done at the committee level. Committee members work together in a variety of ways including:

- discussing the long term impact of the Affordable Care Act on ED practice groups,
- organizing meetings with CMS officials on provider enrollment,
- drafting letters to state policymakers on balance billing,
- identifying speakers on ED best practices,
- developing a toolbox to help survive an audit,
- preparing for value-based reimbursement, and
- building strong business relationships.

Experts work side-by-side with newcomers, new leaders shine, and everyone's contribution is greatly appreciated. We encourage you to reach out to the committee chairs to learn more about each committee and to find the best fit for you. Many members report that insight shared on committee conference calls is one of the most important and unique benefits of their EDPMA membership.

Federal Health Policy (FHPC)

Co-Chairs - Randy Pilgrim, randy_pilgrim@schumachergroup.com and Dighton Packard, dightonp@baylorhealth.edu

This committee tackles the association's response to proposed federal rules, regulations, bills and policies on the implementation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and other key legislative and regulatory issues occurring at the federal level. It coordinates federal advocacy efforts with other EDPMA committees and reviews, edits, and approves letters to Congress, CMS and other decision makers.

State Regulatory & Insurance (SRIC)

Co-Chairs – Beth Cesta, Beth_Cesta@teamhealth.com, Bing Pao, bingpao@cep.com, and Robert Reece reece@beacon-medical.com

This committee's primary objective is to identify and develop the appropriate response to legislative and payer-specific changes that impact emergency providers. It works with EDPMA members at the state level to keep each other apprised of critical regulatory and insurance issues, including state-level activity on Medicaid expansion, health exchanges, bad payer behavior, Medicaid copays, and balanced billing. When appropriate, EDPMA takes action to advocate at the state level on these issues.

Provider Enrollment (PEC)

Chair – Derise Woods, Derise_Woods@teamhealth.com

This Committee connects members and their employees who focus primarily on enrolling providers for participation in Medicare and Medicaid programs. It works with CMS and other policymakers and industry partners to improve provider enrollment processes for emergency medicine physician groups and agencies that bill for emergency medicine services. The committee has had many successes including extending the time practices have to submit an enrollment application; allowing E-signatures for online enrollment; reducing MAC processing times for 855 applications; implementing easy-button revalidation; and allowing bank accounts to be located in a different state than the practice.

Quality, Coding & Documentation Committee (QCD)

Co-Chairs – Stacie Norris, sanorris@zotecpartners.com and Mark Owen, mevsowen@gmail.com

This committee focuses on quality, coding, and billing issues such as the Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS), the Value-Based Payment Modifier program (VBPM), coding and documentation issues, avoiding and preparing for audits, developing registries for Emergency Medicine, and more. It develops toolboxes and white papers to help EDPMA members respond to various quality, coding, and documentation issues.

Conference Planning Committee (CPC)

Chair – Iva Clement, Ivalee_clement@schumachergroup.com

This committee develops the agenda for the upcoming Solutions Summit, invites Summit speakers, and oversees all aspects of the Solutions Summit.

Membership

Chair – Andrea Halpern, ahalpern@ciproms.com

This committee helps ensure that EDPMA's membership continues to grow at a healthy pace each year. It also oversees EDPMA's efforts to retain current members.

Education

Chair - Paul Hudson, paulh@acutecare.com

This Committee works year-round to provide valuable education and training opportunities for EDPMA members, including the Solutions Summit, interactive webinars, and educational workshops. The committee reviews upcoming opportunities to keep EDPMA members apprised of the issues impacting the business of emergency medicine.