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Live Webinars

[July 20: Negotiating with Transparency in Coverage Data](#)

Transparency in Coverage (TiC) has been live now for a year. In that timeframe, the industry welcomed a tsunami of previously confidential payer data now available to the public, yet difficult to access. Join this webinar to hear from experts at Turquoise Health and Huntsville Hospital discuss how hospitals can leverage TiC rates to answer marketplace questions such as, "Who gets paid what amounts, and by which payers?" Attendees will learn how to practically use machine-readable file (MRF) data in negotiations, the pros and cons of the data today, and what the future holds for price transparency rules and legislation. Sponsored by: Turquoise Health

Aug 8: Workforce Management for Remote Healthcare Business Staff

The evolution of the business office to a hybrid or fully remote environment has compounded stress and attrition among revenue cycle management (RCM) and finance staff. Already tasked with complex, time-intensive work, they must now perform without access to the traditional paper processes and roles they rely on. Speakers from an experienced healthcare financial services provider and a multinational direct payment leader explain the impact of this dynamic and how leadership can address the challenges facing finance staff. They will review a range of RCM automation solutions and share real-world applications that can transform staff well-being and operations and the patient financial experience. Sponsored by: CommerceHealthcare®

Aug 17: Creating a Real-Time, Data-Centric Culture in Your System

In order to optimize staffing with real-time labor data, organizations must equip their leaders with trustworthy data, in the right format, at the right time. This means analyzing your source data, using a tool to present actionable analytics, and defining a process which incentivizes agile-decision making. Join leaders from Strata Decision Technology to discuss building a culture centered around incorporating real-time data and insights into staffing decisions. Sponsored by: Strata Decision Technology

Aug 22: The No Surprises Act: Create a Winning Strategy

Navigating the complexities of the No Surprises Act has been no easy feat for providers. Resources are strained, administrative burden is high and frustration is widespread. It's clear: Providers need a winning strategy. Join the webinar, The No Surprises Act: Create a Winning Strategy, to learn the solutions and processes needed to overcome obstacles, avoid financial penalties and deliver a positive financial experience. Presenters will discuss what's on the horizon for providers in 2023 and will share real-world strategies hospitals have used to reduce staff burden and proactively respond to NSA requirements. Sponsored by: AccuReg

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