

MAS UPGRADES To Top-of-Line Software

In the fourth quarter of last year, Medical Account Services purchased a new platform and operating system for revenue cycle management. We transitioned from an IBM/400 hardware system to Dell's latest Power Vault 220/221 server and moved our software system from Medical Software Specialties' COBAL to PPM Plus, a Windows based environment. The purchase of PPM Information Solutions' software means that we are now utilizing one of the most successful and widely used anesthesia billing packages available. This transition will further enhance MAS' ability to insure the maximum collection on each and every procedure, further refine our internal compliance program and add another layer of protection for you and your patients' health care information.

PPM software has many built-in features which generates a faster revenue cycle. It provides for more efficient charge entry and includes many safeguards that ensure all charges are compliant with concurrency requirements. The software automatically runs error checks and claim scrubs throughout charge entry, pre-claim release and claim generation. This ensures claims are compliant with government and commercial payor requirements and ultimately increases the velocity of reimbursement for your procedures.

PPM Plus has also upgraded our reporting functions and abilities. This allows us to better accommodate the specialized analysis and reporting needs of your practice. We can create individualized reports based on production, reimbursement, and data analysis with greater flexibility and detail. By providing more precise data mining of information based on your charge data, our improved report functions allow us to optimize reimbursement and collections, and detect variations in payor payment policies.

MAS is now positioned for the future integration of anesthesia electronic medical records, wireless transmission of data and modular changes in technology. PPM Plus, along with our investment in document management software has streamlined and significantly reduced our dependence on paper. As a result, it has streamlined MAS' production and charge entry and increased the security of data and protected health information.

An added feature of PPM Plus is secure and reliable off-site access. For a small user fee you can now access your account and billing data remotely. This will give you the ability to view patient data, check account status and generate reports. This additional feature allows you the flexibility and convenience of keeping updated on your patient accounts at any time that is convenient for you.

We at Medical Account Services, Inc. feel we have made a significant investment in the future of our organization and the future success of your practice. PPM Plus is an invaluable tool, which will help us manage your essential business functions. MAS is now well poised for future changes in medical practice and billing management. We look forward to continued success as we move forward with the implementation of new technologies and continue to offer excellent service and practice management expertise.