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Pennsylvania Trauma Systems Foundation
Launches ICD-10 Trauma Registry Webinar Series

MECHANICSBURG, Pa. (August 11, 2014) - The Pennsylvania Trauma Systems Foundation (PTSF) will launch a second webinar series designed to provide trauma registry staff with the tools necessary to prepare for ICD-10 implementation, in collaboration with Digital Innovation, Inc. (DI). Each month, topics will focus on the impact of ICD-10 on the registry software utilized in PA. The Trauma Registry software in use by trauma centers in PA was developed by DI, our long-standing technology partner, who has provided use of materials to support the presentation. The presentations convey ICD-10 topics and examples that are representative of how ICD-10 may be implemented in trauma registry software, regardless of software vendor.

August 14, 2014, is the next scheduled webinar. In total, the four sessions (200-series)—available to any viewers—are focused on Pennsylvania’s trauma-related registry and performance improvement software programs.

- August 14, 2014—Noon (EST)
  Webinar 202
  Primary Topic: Timeline & Plan for ICD-10 Implementation in COLLECTOR™
  This session is geared toward trauma programs in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

- September 11, 2014—Noon (EST)
  Webinar 203
  Primary Topic: Collector™ & Tricode™ Screen Walk-Through
  This session is geared toward trauma programs in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

- November 13, 2014—Noon (EST)
  Webinar 204
  Primary Topic: Tricode™ Demonstration
  This session is geared toward trauma programs in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

- December 11, 2014—Noon (EST)
  Webinar 204
  Primary Topic: DI Report Writer™
  This session is geared toward trauma programs in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

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Each session is designed as a stand-alone course. The content of each webinar does not build upon the previous; however, the skill-level of each session increases throughout the series. Again, these webinars are designed specifically for trauma program staff and are not inclusive of other hospital service lines. Sessions will vary length, with ample time for questions/answers and comments.

Each additional session is offered for $50. For Pennsylvania trauma program staff, the fee is included in your annual trauma participation fees, so you are able to register at no additional cost. Registration begins Monday, August 11, 2014. Go to www.ptsf.org and click on the ICD-10 billboard located on the homepage. Each session is presented as a “live” event, or registrants have the opportunity to watch recorded version(s). If you have any questions related to the webinar series contact patrauma@ptsf.org.

Course faculty includes Nathan McWilliams, MPA, RHIA. Nathan has been an AHIMA-approved ICD-10CM/PCS Trainer since 2012; he has been employed at the Pennsylvania Trauma Systems Foundation for 14 years and is currently the Director of Technology/Trauma Registry. In addition to his work at the Foundation, he is also an online instructor for the Pennsylvania College of Technology and for Peirce College. Nathan is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh Health Information Management program and the Penn State Harrisburg Master of Public Administration program.

Nathan’s background includes work as a Medical Records Technician and Nationwide Coding Consultant. Nathan’s current work focuses on project management, statewide trauma data research, registrar education and statewide trauma registry development. Nathan has presented trauma registry topics at both the national and state levels. Nathan is Past-President of the Central Pennsylvania Health Information Management Association. Nathan is an active member of the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA), the Pennsylvania (PHIMA) and Central PA Health Information Management Associations (CPHIMA) and the American Society for Public Administration (ASPA).

ICD-10 is the 10th revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD), a medical classification list by the World Health Organization (WHO). It codes for diseases, signs and symptoms, abnormal findings, complaints, social circumstances and external causes of injury or disease.
The Pennsylvania Trauma Systems Foundation (PTSF) is a non-profit corporation recognized by the Emergency Medical Services Act (Act 1985-45). The PTSF is the organization responsible for accrediting trauma centers in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. It has been reviewing and surveying applicant hospitals since May of 1986. To date, over 613,000 lives have been saved by Pennsylvania’s trauma centers with a decrease in mortality of 40-50% in moderate to severely injured patients over the last decade. Find out how trauma centers save lives at www.ptsf.org.

Digital Innovation, Inc. (DI) is a nation-wide leading provider of trauma registry solutions, driven to empower those at the forefront of trauma patient care. DI aligns itself with visionary leaders in the trauma community to develop comprehensive software solutions, fueled by innovative technology. These software applications, coupled with exceptional support and delivery systems, allow DI users to drive process improvements critical to advancing their life-saving mission. With more than 28 years of experience, DI provides design, development and support services for a variety of data collection, data management and analysis products, as well as numerous software engineering and application development services.

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