

PAYFAST Software **2019 NEWSLETTER** *Xpress*

January Addition

New York Worker Comp:

Affective in early 2019 New York State Workers Compensation Board; "In order to increase health care provider participation in the workers' compensation system and improve injured workers' access to timely, quality medical care, the Workers' Compensation Board (Board) has made a strategic decision to adopt the CMS-1500 form".

This means that Doctor's/Providers can use, for most Workers Comp submissions, CMS-1500 (HCFA) forms, with the exception being the C4.3 form, which will remain in use.

As the CMS-1500 is already used by virtually all medical providers and insurance carriers, the Board anticipates a relatively smooth transition to the CMS-1500. The initiative will leverage providers' current medical billing software and medical records while promoting a more efficient workers' compensation system.

Furthermore, this also relates to the Doctor's/Providers that you will be able to, and eventually required to, send Claims and Notes Electronically. Payfast, and our clearing houses have been working diligently together to create the process that will allow you to accomplish this seamlessly.

We will be the first, or among the first Medical Practice Software, to accomplish this. For more information, and time-lines from the Workers Compensation Board please visit <http://www.wcb.ny.gov/CMS-1500/>

New Software Features:

We have been working hard to keep adding exciting new features to the software to make your office workflow and productivity as efficient as possible.

First is a function called "Email Buddy". This will allow you to set up an SMTP email address within Payfast and be able to email, and text patient's appointment reminders and birthday salutations.

The next big change, is we now offer a Kiosk type software allowing patients to check and sign their names electronically. Kiosk systems can be modified to allow patients to add a future visit, change their address, email and phone number. We can also add a Subjective questionnaire, and have patients make payments. This requires additional setup and hardware.

Please don't hesitate to give our support team a call for more information to see if these are features you would like to implement into your office.

Looking to the Future:

It's been a long time coming, but we are currently in the process of upgrading our software, a newer cleaner look, more speed as well as more powerful tools. We will have the ability to do web scheduling. We will also be bringing enhancements to the Note, Imaging, Appointment book, Billing, and Payments parts of our software. We have revamped our website for better use as well with options for feedback and forums if wanting to get feedback/help from other offices and professionals.

Please take the time to give us some feedback on some of the features you really like, and even some that you either think can be improved upon, or if there are things that are unused, let us know so we can phase those out for newer and more exciting options to make your office run more efficiently. Feel free to contact us on our Facebook site

@ <https://www.facebook.com/payfastway>

Thank you for another wonderful year as one of our clients.

The Payfast Team