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Compliance Introduction

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Topics of Discussion

- Compliance
- Compliance Hotline
- False Claims
- Medical Necessity
- Security Reminders





Compliance: Why do you need to know?

- Increased scrutiny of health care providers
- Providers are targeted for audits
- Different rules for teaching institutions
- Follow all established guidelines, mandated rules & regulations
- Do the right thing
- Everyone's responsibility





Why a Compliance Program?

To prevent, detect and correct any violations of the rules and regulations





Compliance's Role

We offer:

- Resources
- Latest information
- Overview of coding & documentation guidelines & rules
- Internal Audits/Reviews
 - New providers (random review)
 - Risk based reviews
- Yearly Education at Department Faculty Meetings
 - Mandatory annual computer-based training (CBT) for all UW Health Team Members
- Work with auditors and payers so you don't have to





Effective lines of Communication



1. UW Health Compliance Hotline: (608) 821-4130 or (888) 225-8282



2. Email: <u>businessintegrity@uwhealth.org</u>



- 3. Electronically: U-Connect > Compliance Report
 - Can submit concerns or questions anonymously









No

Two separate departments that have different functions & responsibilities

- They work collaboratively on your behalf
- Compliance Analyst Professional Services Compliance
 - Responsible for all reviews, audits, research and support
- Specific coding coordinator and coding team for your department
 - Department coding team responsible for day-to-day coding and department questions



False Claims Act Important Federal Law



- Protects the Government from being overcharged & makes it illegal to submit false or fraudulent claims
- You are an important part of protecting the integrity of the program
 - The Government needs billing providers to understand the laws in order to prevent fraud, waste & abuse
- You do not have to intend to defraud the Government to violate this law
- You can be punished if you act with deliberate ignorance or reckless disregard of the truth
 - You cannot hide your head in the sand



Examples of False Claims

- Inaccurate or incomplete documentation
- Upcoding
- Not medically necessary
- Billing for services not provided
- Billing for services covered by another payer
- Employing someone who has been excluded from the Program







- Medicalnecessity is the overarching criterion for all services provided
- Perform, provide & document what is medically necessary
 - Use department/organization created templates & smart phrase
 - Ensures compliant documentation
 - Reach out to coding/compliance to assist with any new documentation requests
- Document in compliance with all federal & state laws, UW Health policies, medical staffrules & regulations and all applicable regulatory requirements
- Your faculty physicians, a long with your documentation, are ultimately responsible for everything documented in your progress note



Data Replication Policy 6.47

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Some copy/paste techniques lead to lengthy, unreliable notes that contain duplicative, outdated and/or inaccurate information

Use Copy/Paste with caution!

Recommendations:

- Avoid copying & pasting notes that are already in other sections of Health Link
- If/when information is copied, **ALWAYS** update, review and verify copied information for accuracy and medical necessity
 - This includes copy/forward functionality

Consequences - Inaccurate copied information:

- Could lead to patient safety issues, and decrease quality scores
- Could lead to chart integrity issues and/or incorrect reimbursement
- Remember: You are ultimately responsible for documentation, including copied & templated documentation

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Specifically Prohibited:

- Ocopying from one patient's note to another patient's record
 - Epic will display a warning
 - Do <u>not</u> proceed with copying when this warning pops up
- O Copying information entered by medical student/APP student
 - ✓ Co-sign Addend when using documentation for billing purposes.
 - Specific documentation and supervision requirements
 - Guidelines must be followed to use their documentation for billing
 - System wide created smart phrases to use for students
 - ✓ Co-sign Attest when using documentation for education purposes only



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Do NOT share your pass phrase!

- Keep confidential
- It is a breach to share your pass phrase/login with anyone
- It is a breach to use another individual's login credentials to gain access to UW Health Systems
- UW Health holds you personally responsible for confidentiality and use of your credentials
- Pass phrase should not be written down
- NEVER allow anyone to operate your computer under your login
- Always log out/lock your computer when you step away



Questions?



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