

## Information - Networking - Advocacy

Despite the push towards electronic, healthcare payments remain inefficient and costly for payors, providers, processors and patients alike. Building on the success of its popular Healthcare Payments Automation Summit, TAWPI is bringing together key industry stakeholders to drive improvements in healthcare payments.

TAWPI is launching the Healthcare Payments Automation Council (HPAC) – a first-of-its-kind group designed to provide industry stakeholders with a forum for information, networking and advocacy in healthcare payments automation. HPAC will cover all facets of healthcare payments processing and the growing demand for technologies, processes, and tools to reduce cost, increase efficiency and improve patient care. Discussion topics will appeal to operations, technology, compliance and business professionals alike.

## TAWPI Councils

TAWPI Councils are dynamic, interactive forums of industry stakeholders engaged in identifying and implementing actionable strategies to meet operational and market driven challenges in payments automation and document management. Through facilitated group discussions, exclusive research and resources, and access to industry thought leaders, council participants gain the knowledge and expertise necessary to accelerate the adoption of practical solutions and best practices for business process improvement in payments automation and document management.

## Who Should Participate

Healthcare Payments Automation Council participation is specifically designed for any operations, management or technology professional involved with patient payments, claims processing, billing, accounts receivable, accounts payable, lockbox, payment processing or cash management; or solution providers addressing those areas.

### HPAC discussion topics for the first half of 2010 include:

- \* Healthcare providers' payment practices
- \* Trends in the emerging healthcare payments industry
- \* The future of patient collections
- \* Migrating to electronic payments
- \* The future role of banks
- \* Privacy, security and compliance issues

## The Benefits of HPAC Membership

The top-line benefit of HPAC participation is knowledge. By bringing a broad spectrum of end-users and solution providers together in a sales-pitch-free environment of information sharing, HPAC members gain qualitative insight that is extremely difficult or expensive to otherwise obtain. This benefit is delivered through:

- \* In-person meetings twice a year with discussion topics chosen by Council members -- practitioners discussing their most challenging issues and exchange solutions with peers
- \* Monthly facilitated virtual roundtables on strategic topics chosen by Council members -- hear from thought leaders and your peers on the most important issues confronting the industry
- \* An annual "State of the Industry" report
- \* The HPAC Buyer's Guide
- \* Access to exclusive research reports and polls
- \* Exclusive third-party reports and other information resources
- \* Access to a database of Council members

## Pricing

Practitioners (end-users) from healthcare providers and payers who are TAWPI Individual Members (\$225) can join the HPAC at no additional charge. HPAC participation is also open to Solutions and Services Providers at an additional annual charge. Membership for Solutions and Services Providers is on a corporate basis, meaning there is no limit to the number of individuals who can participate. Special pricing is currently available based on current TAWPI and/or PCC membership.

### Solutions and Services Providers HPAC Pricing:

- \* Membership in any 1 Council: **\$2,500** per year
- \* If a current PCC member: **\$1,500** per year

To register for a Council, contact Dave Nitchman, Vice President of membership, at 617-426-1167 ext 115 or [dnitchman@tawpi.org](mailto:dnitchman@tawpi.org). For more information on the Councils, contact Mark Brousseau, Council facilitator and editor of TAWPI's today Magazine, at 717-767-2574 or [mbrousseau@tawpi.org](mailto:mbrousseau@tawpi.org).