

CareKinesis' Clinical Advisory Panel: Overview

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CareKinesis is dedicated to maintaining the highest standards of quality, and is devoted to reducing medication errors and drug interactions to ultimately improve medication therapy and outcomes for all patients. CareKinesis has developed and deployed EireneRx®, which is its proprietary and patented Medication Risk Mitigation™ software. CareKinesis strives to continually improve and add content based upon current evidence and user preferences.

In an ongoing effort to provide optimal economic, clinical and humanistic outcomes for CareKinesis's patients, client organizations and its staff, employees, future clients, and other related healthcare professionals, CareKinesis has formed the Clinical Advisory Panel (CAP), which is an EireneRx physician user-group comprised of client Medical Directors and/or their designees.

Mission

The Clinical Advisory Panel has been formed to allow clients of CareKinesis to have direct participation in the design and deployment of the EireneRx clinical decision support tools, as well as related Medication Risk Mitigation initiatives.

Meetings

The Clinical Advisory Panel will be invited to attend at least one in-person appointed meeting per year, but no more than two appointed meetings per year, at a location selected by CareKinesis. Normally, the appointed meetings encompass an evening and the following day until mid-afternoon. From time to time, non-client physicians, other healthcare experts, and guest speakers will be invited to attend and present on subjects pertinent to the purpose of the advisory panel.

Between appointed meetings, various electronic communications will be disseminated to the CAP members.

In addition to appointed meetings, short meetings are normally held at national PACE association meetings—typically, in the form of an early breakfast meeting.

Structure

The Clinical Advisory Panel will have a Chair and Vice-chair selected from amongst the physician participants.

Optional Participation

The Medical Director (or his/her designee) may attend the Clinical Advisory Panel meetings in person, or may choose to not actively participate. For those who choose to not actively participate, information regarding the meetings and consensus developments from the meetings will be shared via email (with all Medical Directors), since the material is germane to all EireneRx PACE organizations.

Policy on Honoraria

An honorarium is a payment for services for which fees are not legally required and which does not require contract agreement to be negotiated and formalized. Honoraria are offered to be paid to persons of professional standing in conjunction with active participation in the appointed Clinical Advisory Panel meetings.

The CAP chairs will set the actual honorarium amount.

For short meetings occurring concurrent with national PACE association meetings, an honorarium is not offered.

Travel and Lodging

In addition to providing an honorarium for appointed meetings, it is expected that out-of-pocket travel, meals, and other related travel expenses will be reimbursed. CareKinesis will usually negotiate discounted lodging at or near the meeting venue, and will arrange payment directly with the hotel. Meeting attendees may extend their stay past the meeting, normally at the negotiated group rate, and will be responsible for such expenses.

There is no travel or lodging consideration for short meetings that occur concurrent with national PACE association meetings.

We suggest that you also check any policies of your PACE organization that may inform users' group's parameters.