



INHALE

Monthly PO Update

2/11/24 & 2/14/24



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Agenda

- Announcements & Updates
- Medication Updates
- Clinical Newsletter Launching
- Spring Regional Meetings
- PCP Recruitment
- Executive Committee Recruitment
- Lung Learning Labs Registration
- Questions/Discussion



MTI

- Onboarded 2 pilot sites with a potential 3rd.
 - If interested, please reach out at INHALE-support@med.umich.edu

MOC Interest

- Project kicking off in April
- Focused on Inhaler Education measure
- To obtain level of interest, asking each PO to:
 - Email INHALE-support@med.umich.edu
 - Number of Physicians interested
 - Number of PAs interested
 - By March 1st

Biennial BCBSM Survey

- Due February 13th (tomorrow)



Fluticasone ABA

- As of 2/2/24 BCBSM is covering the 44mcg for patients \leq 5 years
 - No Qvar trial required
 - No Prior Authorization required

Dulera

- Commercial insurance plans Aetna and CVS Caremark have added to their formulary

Clinically Focused Newsletter

- Bimonthly content geared specifically for frontline providers:
 - SMART Therapy
 - Biologics
 - New guidance information
 - Formulary updates/ resources
- Please disseminate down to practices/providers



INHALE CLINICAL NEWSLETTER
FEBRUARY | VOLUME 1 | CLINICAL

coming soon

Newsletter Highlights

- Meet the Program Director
- MMIT Coverage App
- SMART Therapy Prescribing
- Updates & Reminders
- Executive Committee Nominations
- Ask the Pharmacist

Dr. Njira Lugogo
Masters in Clinical Research at Duke University, Durham NC
Current roles: Director of Michigan Medicine's Asthma Program, including the Clinical Program and the Asthma Research Program

Dr. Lugogo's Why
When the pandemic occurred, there was a seismic shift in our lives leading many of us to have time for introspection. It was during this pivotal time that I was presented with the opportunity to propose a lung disease focused CQI to BCBSM. The level of collaboration I witnessed during the pandemic, specifically the shared focus on one critical outcome & the desire to take care of others above all else was inspirational to me & I embarked on a journey to see INHALE come to fruition. INHALE means a tremendous amount to me, as an individual, as it allows us to amplify the impact of the knowledge we have spent years curating. It allows me to meet & work with so many amazing people & providers across the state & ultimately it allows us to help our patients to live better lives. I feel proud of what INHALE has accomplished & I am eternally grateful to BCBSM for its vision & investment in our CQI. I am excited to see what we can accomplish together.

Fun Fact: Dr. Lugogo speaks fluent Swahili and grew up in Kenya!

MMIT Formulary Search
Need to know if an inhaler is covered under your patients insurance? There's an app for that! MMIT's drug status information is updated nightly to ensure the latest information to guide your prescribing decisions. The app will help you and your staff understand restrictions, identify alternatives, and guide your patients among a multitude of other features.

[Learn more here](#)



2024 Spring Regional Meetings



- May 2024 Regional Meetings will be held virtually
 - May 7, 8, 14, & 15
- Specific requirements to earn VBR:
 - Camera on
 - Participation in breakouts/Q&A
 - Acknowledgement of participation expectations
 - May be requested to download an app like Kahoot/Polleverywhere prior
- Region meeting dates and registration opening March 1st
- **Trial basis for 2024, not guaranteed for 2025**



Recruitment opens February 15th

- May add additional Practices/PCPs until April 29th
 - Must be PGIP eligible
 - PCMH designated
- Add to INHALE's Admin Portal
- Earn VBR beginning 9/1/24
- Measurement period beginning 9/1/24 (2025VBR):
 - Attend Fall 2024 Regional Meeting (Practice Clinical Champion)
 - Attend Spring 2025 Regional Meeting (Practice Clinical Champion)
 - Inhaled Medication Training module completion
 - Other participation requirements as outlined
 - Meet PO performance VBR measure

Executive Committee Recruitment



Vision for Board

- Committee made up of Collaborative participants/stakeholders to offer guidance on:
 - VBR Measures
 - Future measure development/target setting
 - Ongoing analysis of data/trends
 - Pertinent information from the frontline provider perspective

Meeting Cadence/Time Requirement

- Quarterly meetings ~1.5 hours and ad hoc meetings as needed
- Review of data/items/proposals between meetings ~1 hr
- One in-person meeting/year TBD

Projected Launch Date:

- Summer 2024

Executive Committee Recruitment



Membership

- Goal of 13 members
 - 1-2 PO Administrators
 - 1 PharmD
 - 7 Clinical Champions
 - 4 Practicing Providers from Specialties
 - Nurses/Asthma Educators
- Representative of our POs, Providers, Specialists
 - Allergists, Pediatricians, Pediatric Pulmonologists, PharmD, PCPs, Pulmonologists
 - Geographic representation of the collaborative

Recruitment Timeline & Questions

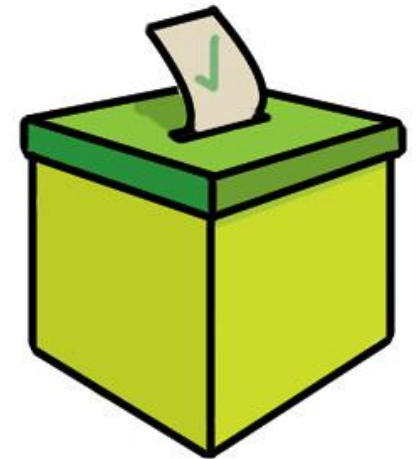
- Call for nominations open now through March 31,2024
- Review of nominees – April 2024
 - Conducted by Coordinating Center
- Notification of membership – April 2024
- Initial meeting - June 2024

Executive Committee Recruitment



Nominations

- Complete the nomination form on the Admin Portal
 - Self Nomination
 - Nominate a colleague
- Coordinating Center will follow up with nominees
- Bonus VBR point awarded for nomination



Lung Learning Labs



Live Zoom Event Registration

- Pre-registration is required to attend the events; this is so we can better track attendance and CME.
- Registration can be done through our admin portal (link below), you do not need an account to register.
- <https://portal.mct2d.org/portal/events/inhale>
- After you are registered, you will receive a confirmation email with all the relevant details for each event that you registered for. Keep this email, it will include the zoom link for the live event.

CME – Beaumont

- CME will be offered for each event that is attended (4 hours total) and is available for AMA PRA Category 1, ANCC, ACPE and Interprofessional Continuing Education (IPCE).
- To claim your credit, a survey will be provided to you post event and you'll be asked to create an account in the Beaumont Portal (unless you already have one). From there you'll be instructed to attest that you attended the event. The CME credit will then be automatically applied to your credentials.

Live vs. Recorded Viewing

- Attendance to at least one session of the L3s is a VBR requirement for all **practice clinical champions** and all **PCPs and SCPs** currently participating in INHALE.
- If you are unable to attend one of the four live sessions, they will be recorded and available on the INHALEarning education platform in early spring.
 - As a reminder, activities must be met by 8/31/2024 to receive your VBR payment.
- A post session survey will be distributed or available in the learning platform, completion of the survey will automatically mark this requirement as met in the admin portal.


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INHALE presents LUNG LEARNING LABS

Starting in January 2024, INHALE will be offering a monthly educational speaker series via zoom. Providers will learn about various topics from leading lung health experts.


As a reminder, the Lung Learning Labs are a requirement for value-based reimbursement. Each **practice clinical champion** and **all recruited physicians** (PCPs and SCPs) must attend **at least one** session, live or on demand in 2024, to receive points towards your VBR. Pre-registration is required for the live events and will open in the admin portal this month. CME will be offered for each attended event.

COPD Updates
January 18th
12:00pm - 1:00pm
[Register](#)




Dr. Jill Ohar is a professor of pulmonary, critical care, allergy, and immunologic medicine at Wake Forest Baptist Health in North Carolina. She was named medical director for respiratory care, pulmonary function lab and pulmonary rehab at Wake Forest's Lexington location in 2017. Dr. Ohar has conducted research with the COPD...

Biologics in Severe Asthma
February 22nd
12:00pm - 1:00pm
[Register](#)




Dr. Njira Lugogo, Associate Professor of Internal Medicine, is the Division of Pulmonary & Critical Care Medicine's Asthma Program Director at the University of Michigan. She formerly served as the Medical Director of the Duke Asthma Allergy and Airway Center and Director of the Asthma Clinical Trials Group and Pulmonary Clinical Research Unit. She joined UoM's Pulmonary & Critical Care Medicine faculty in 2017 and currently serves as the Program Director of INHALE.

Lung Volume Reduction
March 14th
12:00pm - 1:00pm
[Register](#)



Dr. Momen Wahidi serves as medical director of Northwestern Medicine Canning Thoracic Institute and health system director of Interventional Pulmonology. He's a renowned expert in interventional pulmonology and nationally and internationally recognized for his accomplishments in education, research and clinical care. He has published landmark studies and contributed to evidence-based guidelines.

Spirometry for PCPs
April 11th
12:00pm - 1:00pm
[Register](#)



Dr. Thomas Saba, is an assistant professor of Clinic Pediatrics and the Director of the Primary Ciliary Dyskinesia (PCD) Center at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital. As a pediatric pulmonologist, Dr. Saba specializes in asthma, bronchiectasis, and primary ciliary dyskinesia. He has extensive experience with common, as well as rare pulmonary conditions, with procedural skills to pursue advanced diagnostic testing when a diagnosis is unclear.

Next Monthly Call Dates:

- Mar 11th at 11:00a **or** Mar 13th at 2:00p

Lung Learning Labs series

- Feb - April

2024 Summer Collaborative-wide:

- June 7, 2024, in Lansing

2024 Spring Regional meetings:

- May 7, 8, 14, 15

MOC Project - Inhaler Education

- April 2024 - more details to come soon



Questions



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