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Registration Now Open for NCPDP's 2018 Educational Summit on SCRIPT

Programming focused on preparing for January 1, 2020 industry implementation of NCPDP's SCRIPT Standard v2017071

Register by October 5th to take advantage of Early Bird Discount

SCOTTSDALE, AZ – September 6, 2018 – NCPDP announced today that registration is open for its 2018 Educational Summit on SCRIPT which will be held November 6, 2018, in Charlotte, North Carolina. Educational programming for the event will focus exclusively on NCPDP's SCRIPT Standard Version 2017071, which the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announced it is adopting beginning on January 1, 2020.

The 2018 Educational Summit on SCRIPT includes a full day of educational sessions designed to help health information technology professionals; EHR/EMR vendors; ePrescribing vendors; product managers; consultants; programmers; business analysts; system analysts; professionals in compliance; testing/certification professionals; implementation managers/coordinators; trainers of new software/applications; and others plan for implementation of the breadth of benefits in the standard for patients and healthcare providers.

Educational programming for the event includes:

- **Get to Know SCRIPT v2017071.** This session will provide a broad overview of the new version of SCRIPT, beginning with an update from the NCPDP Strategic National Implementation Process (SNIP) Committee on important dates and timelines; new functionality and transactions; changes across transactions; use of XML; and electronic prior authorization (ePA) transactions.
- **Immerse Yourself in Deep Dive Sessions on Targeted Transactions.** A series of five sessions will take an in-depth look at new and modified transactions in SCRIPT v2017071. Explore messages for new prescription requests and denials; transactions for resupply, recertification and drug administration; messages for prescription transfer requests, responses and confirmations. Learn more about the use of the new prescription fill indicator, a major enhancement in this new version of SCRIPT, which allows prescribers to choose when to receive and fill based on a patient and medication. There will also be a deep dive session on prescription renewals – requests, responses, and change requests – plus information on transactions for canceling prescriptions.
- **Learn about what's next for SCRIPT.** This session will feature panelists representing various segments of the industry discussing what's next for SCRIPT – including governance, transaction adoption, versioning and other topics impacting the industry. Attendees will hear NCPDP Work Group Co-Chairs and subject matter experts discuss future considerations for SCRIPT to help inform business strategies and product roadmaps.
- **Engage in interactive Question & Answer opportunities.** NCPDP will be taking feedback throughout the day to address attendees' most pressing questions and ease the implementation process for all stakeholders involved in implementing and using the robust features and functionality inherent in the new standard.

The enhancements in SCRIPT v2017071 were developed to streamline administrative and business efficiencies; support improved clinical decision-making with workflow-enabled solutions; and fortify patient safety – for the ultimate benefit of patients and healthcare providers.

NCPDP's 2018 Educational Summit on SCRIPT will be held November 6, 2018, in Charlotte, North Carolina. Discounted, early bird registration rates for NCPDP members and non-members are available until October 5, 2018. To register for NCPDP's 2018 Educational Summit on SCRIPT visit: <http://ncdp.org/Education/Educational-Summit>.

About NCPDP

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