Starting Your Own Practice in 45 minutes

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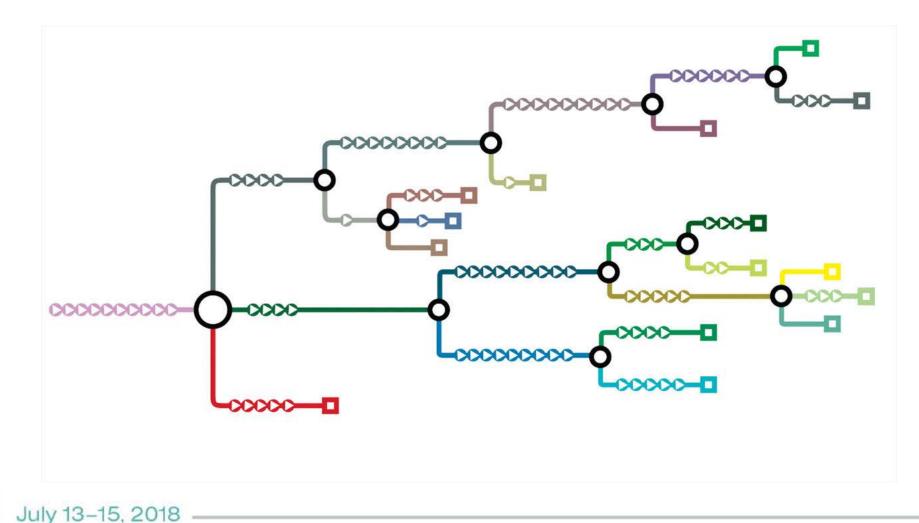


Learning Objectives

- Identify the financial basics of starting a new DPC practice.
- •Understand the regulatory basics of starting a new DPC practice.

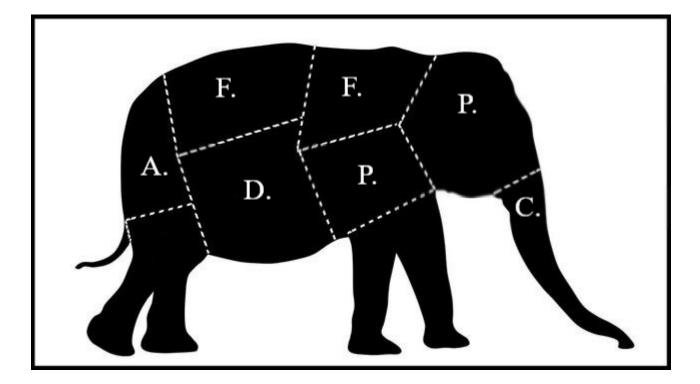


Choose Your Own Adventure





Eating The Elephant





Are You Ready?

"The question isn't who is going to let me; it's who is going to stop me." - Ayn Rand



The First Step...

- <u>Starting a brand new clinic</u>
- <u>Converting an existing practice</u>



Location, Location, Location

- Office
 - Buy
 - Rent
 - Build
- Takes the longest so start it early



Location, Location, Location

- 44 states allow physicians to dispense medications
- 40 states make dispensing easy
- 27 states have DPC friendly laws
- Client Bill Labs



To Buy or To Build....that is the question

- Your Website
 - First impressions matter
 - DIY
 - \$ or \$\$\$
- Your LOGO
 - Personality
 - Branding
 - Unique for You



A Rose by Any Other Name

- Naemchk.com to confirm available names
 - For website domains
 - For social media
- Purchase Domain
 - godaddy.com
 - dnom.com
 - domains.google.com

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- Social Media
 - Facebook
 - Twitter
 - LinkedIn

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Good Artists Borrow...

- Home / About Us & Our Team / Benefits / Our Fees / FAQ / Join / Contact us
- Get afaf
- Study other DPC sites but make sure you have your own "voice" in your website
- Post privacy Policy on your website
- Post your notice of privacy policies
- Link your social media accounts



Old Practice...New Idea

- #1 Opportunity Existing Patients
- Short! Less than 1 page total
- A Series of 3 Intro Letters
- Discounts?
 - Early Enrollments
 - Existing Patients
- Keep it positive
 - Start With Why



Old Practice...New Idea

- Town Halls...Town Crier
- Show them the Money
 - Savings = Sales
- Educate, Train, Motivate Staff
- Change is hard...
 - Patients
 - Employees
 - Physicians

Compare	the	Cost
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	Madsen Medical Direct Care	Standard Insurance / Self Pay
Office Visit Charge 99214	INCLUDED	\$120
Office Visit Charge 99213	INCLUDED	\$75
Office Visit Charge 99204	INCLUDED	\$165
Office Visit Charge 99203	INCLUDED	\$105
EKG	INCLUDED	\$60
Halter Monitor	INCLUDED	\$350
Cryo-therapy: warts	INCLUDED	\$80
Cyro-therapy; sun damage	INCLUDED	\$80
Laceration Suture	INCLUDED	\$125
Skin Biopsy	INCLUDED	\$120
Excision of Skin Neoplasm	INCLUDED	\$600
Spirometry	INCLUDED	\$80
Tympanogram	INCLUDED	\$30
Bone Density	INCLUDED	\$150
Arterial Flow Study	INCLUDED	\$150
Removal Skin Tags	INCLUDED	\$85
Allergy Injection	INCLUDED	\$20
Bronchospasm Evaluation	INCLUDED	\$110
Joint Injections / Aspirations	INCLUDED	\$120
Finger Stick Glucose	INCLUDED	\$12
TB Skin Test	INCLUDED	\$18
Urinalysis	INCLUDED	\$12
Ear Wax Removal	INCLUDED	\$60
Aorta Scan	INCLUDED	\$120
Bladder Scan	INCLUDED	\$25



Medicare?

- <u>Opt in</u>
- Opt out



Opt-ing out

- 4 Opportunities during the Year
- CAN charge Medicare patients a membership
- CAN maintain ordering and prescribing status through your Pecos #
- http://www.oandp.com/pecos/



Opt-ing In

- Can NOT charge Medicare patients a membership
- Maintain Moonlighting Options
 - Hospitalist
 - Nursing Home



Define Success

- Desired Salary
- Estimated Overhead
 - Pro Tip: + 20-30% for wiggle room
- Estimated Panel Size
 - Geriatrics 400
 - Primary Care 600
 - Pediatrics 800+

- Salary + Overhead + 30% = \$/yr
- Divided by 12 = \$/mo
- Divided by Panel size = Avg Fee



The Only Good Lawyer...

Is a DPC lawyer



The Only Good Lawyer...

- Luanne Leeds
 - leedslua@gmail.com
 - 785.354.0727
- Local lawyer
- DIY
- www.dpcfrontier.com



He Who Has the Money

Pays the taxes



Taxes: the most expensive thing you'll ever do

- Find An Expert (for DPC)
 - Reid Hash
 - 785.272.4484
 - R.hash@ssccpas.com
- Chose Software:
 - QuickBooks
 - FreshBooks
 - Xero



l'm a Doctor Jim – Not an Accountant

- Ask A Specialist
 - Accountant or Attorney
- LLC
- PLLC
- S Corp
- C Corp



Down to Business

- Confirm certification
 - State Medical Board
 - City / County License
- Apply for Federal Tax ID
- Small Business Workshop
 - Local College
 - Chamber of Commerce



The Price is Right ... Or is it?

- Match the Price to the Value
- Age Based
- Service Based
- Corporate Discounts?
- Family Discounts?
- Similar Practices



To Dispense or Not to Dispense

That is this slides question - Shakespeare



- Cost + 10%
- Greatest Value Add
- Regulations Vary by State
- Great Stories = Great Marketing



Staffing



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Staff

- No Staff
- Part Time
- Full Time
- Spouse
- Training
 - MA \$33k/yr
 - LPN \$45k/yr
 - RN \$60k/yr



Getting Out Of The Game

- May need to give a 60/90/120-day notice required
 - Don't let this be a setback
 - Outlined in your contract and every INS can be different
- Notify current patients with 1 or 2 letters
- Don't be afraid to call your insurance company.
 - Flat out ask how to cancel your contract and where to send the letter for an official documentation
 - Certified mail = Peace of mind
- If you're employed, your contract might be with the employer.
 - DOUBLE CHECK
 - Then check again!



Pathology

- Cole Diagnostics
- Quest / Labcorp
- CPL
- Local options



Who You Gonna Call?

- 1-2 month set up
 - Phone #s
 - 1 per staff member
 - Fax #s
 - 1 per office



Good Marketing is Good Story Telling

- Always Start With Why
- Flyers Keep them Simple & Cheap
- Your Community Chamber, Rotary, Lions, BNI
- People WANT to hear about DPC its Interesting
- Public Speaking
- Social Media Facebook is #1
 - Slow & Steady
 - It Takes Time



Pre-Enrollment





Free is Good

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- Start requesting samples 1 month prior to launch
- https://www.novomedlink.com free to register and insulin and supplied every month.
- http://mercksamplecenter.com steroid inhalers and more
- http://www.archpatientassistance.com/ for patient assistance on IUDs
- https://www.mysamplecloset.com (amitiza, trintellix, uloric, dexilant / baxdela / amrix)
- https://www.gsksource.com/pharma/content/gsk/source/us/en.html



Required Reading

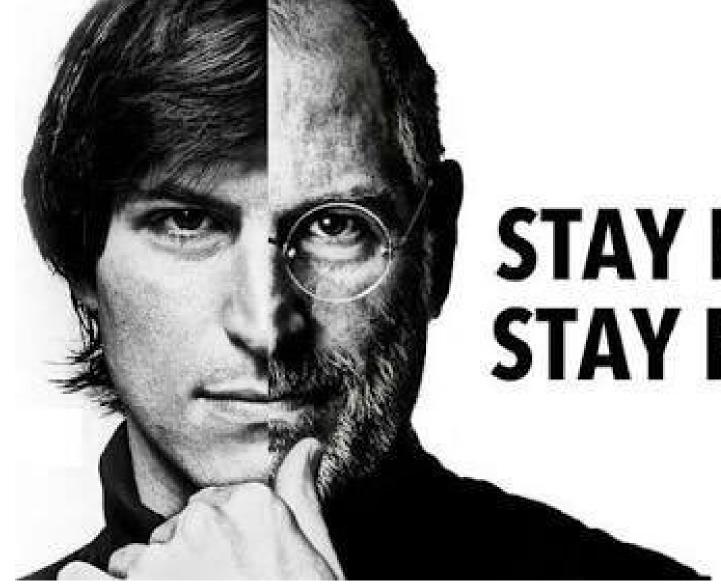
- The Official Guide to Starting Your Own Direct Primary Care Practice
- The Direct Primary Care Doctor's Daily Motivational Journal
- The Manual of Policies and Procedures for DPC
 - https://dpcmanual.com/
- Opting Out of Medicare: A guide for physicians
 - https://aapsonline.org/





Join The Resistance

- AAFP Direct Primary Care Interest Group
 - President Dr. Tom White
- Direct Primary Care Alliance
 - President Dr. Ryan Neuhofel
- Doctors 4 Patient Care Foundation
 - President Dr. Lee Gross
- Local DPC Chapters



STAY HUNGRY STAY FOOLISH

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