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The RACs Are Coming

The government has contracted with Recovery Audit Contractors ("RAC") to review hospitals' coding and documentation. We would expect that Sunnyville Hospital will receive requests from a RAC contractor. If any employee receives a notice from what appears to be a RAC contractor seeking records and documentation, please forward the requests to our Compliance Officer, Pat U. Downs.

Pat U. Downs to Speak at HCCA Institute

Our Compliance Officer, Pat U. Downs, will attend the Healthcare Compliance Association's annual meeting in Dallas in April. At the Dallas event, Mr. Downs will learn about compliance issues and how they relate to our hospital. Mr. Downs will also hear from national compliance and legal experts, as well as government representatives, including representatives from the Office of the Inspector General. Upon returning from Dallas, Mr. Downs will provide an update regarding what he learned in Dallas in a future Sunnyville Hospital Times.

Patient Safety Is Our Priority

Sunnyville Hospital has launched a new initiative called "Quality Care is Our Priority." Through this initiative, we will all learn about cutting edge issues related to quality care. Our CEO, Ada Topp, strongly encourages all of us to work together to ensure all of our patients receive the best treatment possible.

New Radiology Joint Venture

Sunnyville Hospital and Zapp Radiology have teamed up to open a new freestanding radiology clinic. This new radiology clinic will provide state of the art radiology services for the residents of Sunnyville. One of the new services offered by the joint venture is an open MRI. The open MRI will benefit patients who become claustrophobic in normal MRI machines. We look forward to working with Zapp Radiology to provide improved radiology services to our community.

Welcome Dr. Buck!

Sunnyville Hospital would like to welcome Dr. Gerald Buck to the medical staff. Dr. Buck is a cardiothoracic surgeon who has moved to Sunnyville from South Bend, Indiana. Dr. Buck will be affiliated with Heartbeat, a group specializing in cardiovascular services. We look forward to welcoming Dr. Buck and making him feel comfortable with our community.

Have an Idea for a Story for This Newsletter?

Sunnyville Hospital's newsletter staff would be happy to run any stories suggested by our readers. Just submit your story text or story idea to our staff writers at writers@sunnyvillehospital.com. We'll notify you if your story will be used in an upcoming edition of the newsletter.

