



# Press Release

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## **PBN President Jud Neal elected to HBMA Board**

PBN clients benefit from best practices access and increased legislative influence.

Overland Park, Kansas — The Healthcare Billing & Management Association (HBMA), a trade association representing third-party medical billers across the U.S. elected PBN President Judson Neal, CHBME to his first term on its national Board of Directors. Jud, who has served for several years on HBMA's Education Committee and Government Affairs Committee, is one of nine members newly elected to the board. The board is elected by HBMA members, who are collectively responsible for nearly 30% of all physician billing in the U.S.

"I'm honored by the nomination and election," Mr. Neal explained, "but I'm also excited by the opportunities this brings for Physician's Business Network and its clients to help direct and guide outside entities in the development and use of best practices in medical billing."

The HBMA Board is made up of experienced Certified Healthcare Billing and Management Executives (CBHMEs) from around the country. Board members attend an annual retreat, participate in monthly review meetings, and serve on committees to stay informed and up to date on the latest in healthcare billing practices and related legislation (such as recent electronic records legislation). Members of the HBMA Board are also often called upon to visit with legislators to help create a better understanding of Medicare and Medicaid issues.

"My work on the HBMA Board will help keep us up to the minute with the latest legislative developments and provide a voice for PBN and its clients in influencing the adoption and implementation of best practices for the medical billing industry." Jud concluded.

**For more information** on PBN and Jud Neal's involvement with HBMA, please contact Phyllis Morris, Manager of Administrative Services, 10950 Grandview Drive, Suite 200, Overland Park, KS 66210; phone 800.288.4901 or 913.381.5200; fax 913.381.3454, e-mail [pmorris@pbnmed.com](mailto:pmorris@pbnmed.com)

### **About HBMA**

HBMA was created to educate and develop resources for third-party medical billers, and to work with and educate Congress and the Administration on legislative and regulatory issues affecting physicians, Medicare, Medicaid, and the commercial healthcare insurance industry. The association has become an active voice in Washington D.C. and works closely with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to monitor the constant changes in Medicare, Medicaid, private health insurance legislation, and regulations.

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### **About Jud Neal, PBN President**

Jud has been with PBN since 1999. Responsible for the overall strategy and execution of objectives, he oversees all facets of the organization. During his tenure as President, the company has maintained a high client retention rate and nearly tripled in size. Prior to joining the company, he held Senior Vice President positions in publicly held medical device and services corporations for over 25 years. Jud holds a BSBA from the University of Missouri, an MBA from Rockhurst University, and is a graduate of the Stanford Executive Program at Stanford University. You can find out more about Physicians Business Network at [www.pbnmed.com](http://www.pbnmed.com).

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