

UOP NEWS FAX

To: All UOP Physicians
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Re: Federal Stimulus Package Bonuses For EMR Usage

Congress and the White House have reached an agreement on a \$789.5 billion economic recovery package that contains a provision providing funds for the healthcare industry.

Of interest to physicians, the package contains \$19 billion for health-information technology, and physicians are to get bonuses of between \$44,000 and \$64,000 if they can show they have computerized their medical records system. In addition the package contains Medicare payment penalties for physicians that are not using electronic medical records by 2014.

At this point in time, details as to the form of the bonuses are not available. However, as soon as details become available we will update you.

As you may recall, UOP has contracted with a technology vendor and partnered with Misys to arrange a very attractive EMR program to assist our physicians with their EMR needs. If you would like more information about the UOP EMR program please contact Khalil Rammal at 313-240-9867 ext. 29.

As always, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact UOP.