

## **JUCM** Outline for Practice Management Articles

- I. Introduction to Topic
  - A. What are you covering?
  - B. Why is it relevant to urgent care?
  - C. Brief overview of the practice management challenge (always considering the urgent care setting)
- II. Topic Main Text
  - A. For each essential subtopic, cover the following:
    - 1. History of the subtopic in our industry
    - 2. Current status of the subtopic in our industry
    - 3. Red flags and problems to be resolved
    - 4. Ways in which not resolving these problems will affect the individual urgent care center, its patients, and the industry as a whole
    - 5. Techniques and methods for resolving the problems
      - i. For managers
      - ii. For health-care providers
      - iii. For frontline staff members
      - iv. For other support staff members
    - 6. Goals to be met in resolving the problems

- 7. Documented vignettes about and studies on how leaders in related industries or other industries are resolving the problems (these can be spread throughout the article)
- 8. Decision-making steps and tools
- 9. Techniques and benchmarks for measuring improvement progress
- III. Conclusion/Discussion
- IV. References
- V. Tables, flow diagrams, charts, figures, and boxed sidebars are often useful for highlighting the following:
  - Details of resolution techniques
  - ☐ Red flags
  - ☐ Longer vignettes illustrating problem resolution
  - Summaries of subtopics

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