

Washington Update

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Washington Update

Mary St. Pierre - Regulatory Update

Rich Brennan - Technology

Theresa M. Forster – Hospice Legislative Goals

William A. Dombi – Home Health Legislative Goals

Jeffrey Kincheloe –Legislative March/Preview

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Regulatory Update

- Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act
 - 3 % Rural Add-on
 - Face-to-Face Encounter Requirement
 - Home Health
 - Hospice
 - Timely Filing Deadline Change

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Regulatory Update

- Medical Review & Appeals
 - MAC and RAC status
 - Trends
 - Homebound
 - Medical Necessity
- (Attend the Law Symposium)

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Regulatory Update

- Home Health Compare and CASPER Performance Reporting Schedule
- **Measure Type** **Rpt Method** **Date Available** **Data Period**
- OASIS-B1 CASPER 12/2009 10/08-9/09
- OASIS-B1 HH Compare 1/2010 10-08-0909
- OASIS-B1 HH Compare 4/2010 1/09-12/09
- OASIS-C Process CASPER 9/2010 1/10-6/10
- OASIS-C Process HH Compare 10/2010 1/10-6/10
- OASIS-C Outcome CASPER 05/2011 3/10-2/11
- OASIS-C Outcome HH Compare 07/2011 4/10-3/11

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Regulatory Update

- OASIS-C Resources
 - NAHC web site links
 - Manual
 - Q&A Link
 - Under Development by CMS
 - New Process Measure Manual: under development
 - OBQI and OBQM manuals to be revised and posted

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Regulatory Update

- Other CMS Activities
 - Post Acute Care Demonstration Project
 - CARE Tool
 - HH CAHPS
 - Test 3rd quarter 2010
 - Participation 4th quarter 2010

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Regulatory Update

- Hospice Quality Measures
 - CMS Quality Measure Project
 - NAHC Hospice Quality Measures

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Technology Update

- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
 - Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMI)
 - Demonstration Projects

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Hospice – Post Health Reform

- MedPAC considerations, health reform changes point to ultimate modernization of hospice benefit
- Timely implementation of Medicare hospice concurrent care demonstration; concurrent hospice and curative care for children on Medicaid

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Hospice (cont.)

- Preserve the full market basket update for the Medicare hospice benefit
- Preserve the budget neutrality adjustment factor as part of Medicare hospice wage index

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Hospice (cont.)

- Provide hospice rural add on payment to ensure access to care for rural patients.
- Modernize the Medicare hospice benefit and payment systems while ensuring access to quality care and reasonable reimbursement

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Hospice (cont.)

Update on HHFMA/HAA Task Force on Hospice Reimbursement

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Home Health – Post Health Reform

- Swift implementation of health reform demonstrations:
 - Chronic care management
 - Transitions in care
 - Post-acute care management

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Home Health (cont.)

- Guide HH rebasing standards to ensure rates at a level sufficient to maintain access to care. Standards must allow for inclusion of:
 - All necessary business capital
 - Fair margin
 - Incentivize efficiency
 - Incentivize quality care

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Home Health (cont.)

- Oppose legislative or regulatory rate reductions over next decade; roll back reductions that have overreached. Enact legislation to reform CMS process for evaluating case mix changes.

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Home Health (cont.)

- Improve administration of HH benefit by:
 - Allowing NPs, PAs, advance practice nurses to sign plans of care;
 - Providing incentives for greater use of telehomecare/technology.

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Home Health (cont.)

- Ensure greater use of Medicaid home care services under health reform expansions through:
 - Increased federal financial support
 - Improved eligibility standards
 - Simpler administrative requirements

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Home Health (cont.)

- Redesign employer responsibilities for financing health insurance expansions to address:
 - The unique employment aspects of home care;
 - Its support of elderly and disabled;
 - Its involvement with government-based funding sources.

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MOW BRIEFING

- Overview of Printed Materials
- Senate Breakfast
- Capitol Hill Visits
- House Reception

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