



Home Health CoPs: Out the Gate & Racing Toward Compliance! Webinar Trilogy



The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has finalized the long awaited Home Health COPs with the effective date of July 13, 2017! These changes are an integral part of CMS' overall effort to improve the quality of care furnished through the Medicare and Medicaid programs, while streamlining requirements for providers. This Webinar Trilogy will provide the information you need on the rules in order to understand the compliance needs and educate all your staff. As extra value to your agency, the webinars will be available for 6 months from the live presentations in order for all your staff to have a chance to listen and learn!

Webinar 1 Will Cover the Requirements For:

- A comprehensive patient rights condition of participation that clearly enumerates the rights of home health agency patients and the steps that must be taken to assure those rights.
- An expanded comprehensive patient assessment requirement that focuses on all aspects of patient well being.
- A requirement that assures that patients and caregivers have written information about upcoming visits, medication instructions, treatments administered, instructions for care that the patient and caregivers perform, and the name and contact information of a home health agency clinical manager.
- An expanded patient care coordination requirement that makes a licensed clinician responsible for all patient care services, such as coordinating referrals and assuring that plans of care meet each patient's needs at all times.

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Webinar 2 Will Cover the Requirements For:

- A requirement for an integrated communication system that ensures that patient needs are identified and addressed, care is coordinated among all disciplines, and that there is active communication between the home health agency and the patient's physician(s).
- A new infection prevention and control requirement that focuses on the use of standard infection control practices, and patient/caregiver education and teaching.
- A streamlined skilled professional services requirement that focuses on appropriate patient care activities and supervision across all disciplines.
- Revisions to simplify the organizational structure of home health agencies while continuing to allow parent agencies and their branches.
- New personnel qualifications for home health agency administrators and clinical managers.

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Webinar 3 Will Cover the Requirements For:

- A requirement for a data-driven, agency-wide quality assessment and performance improvement (QAPI) program that continually evaluates and improves agency care for all patients at all times.
- And how the QAPI requirement can be utilized to enhance your current quality improvement efforts for public reporting, value based purchasing and compliance!

Presenter: Heather Jones, MPH, CHES, COS-C, Associate Vice President for Quality Initiatives & State Relations for AHHC/SCHCHA

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