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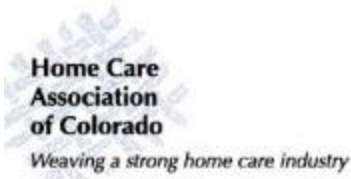
The "Honeymoon" is Over! How to Avoid the Next Wave of Fraud and Abuse Enforcement

A Lunch and Learn audio-conference

Presented by Elizabeth E. Hogue, Esq. Health Care Attorney & Consultant, Burtonsville, Md

Thursday, August 30, 2007

11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mountain



The "honeymoon" is over! It is likely that enforcers will aggressively target home care providers over the next several years. Some of the signs of this dramatic shift include crackdowns on agencies in Houston, Los Angeles and south Florida. The OIG has also been very vocal about enforcement related to new therapy thresholds after changes in PPS are implemented. In addition, states are just beginning to implement provisions of the Deficit Reduction Act (DRA) that will include aggressive enforcement under the Medicaid and Medicaid waiver programs. Agencies can take concrete steps to protect themselves. The purpose of this presentation is to assist agencies to address compliance issues in order to avoid allegations of fraud and abuse. The emphasis will be on practical solutions.

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HCAC Offers Continuing Education Workshop and HCS-D Certification Exam

Join HCAC for a continuing education workshop and HCS-D certification exam.

Thursday, September 6, 2007

8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
and

Friday, September 7, 2007

8:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Presenter:

**Lisa Selman-Holman, JD, BSN, RN, HCS-D,
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Selman-Holman & Associates, LLC, Denton, Texas

Location:

PPA Event Center, 2105 Decatur Street, Denver,
Colorado, (303) 433-8247.

PLUS Home Care Coding Specialist - Diagnosis
(HCS-D) certification examination on Friday,
September 7, 2007 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

We'll start with the basics of home care coding and advance to more complex home care scenarios. Coding compliance, the right mix for your outcomes and optimized dollars is the name of the game under PPS and becomes even more advanced under the new PPS effective January 1. Find out how your coding could be impacting your outcomes. Are you getting the payments you are legally entitled to? A little known legal method of using M0245 could mean more to your bottom line. You a little confused about the use of M0245? Then M0246 is six times more confusing than M0245. Learn what it means now and how being "V code crazy" may sabotage your success in the proposed PPS. Sequencing is what trips you up? Learn tried and true methods for figuring out who's on first. The codes pertinent to home care that were effective October 1 and any new official coding guidelines will be incorporated so you will get the skinny on their use.

Think you are ready to be certified? The HCS-D exam will be offered on the second day! *Separate registration is required.*

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