## MEDICARE RESOURCES FOR CLINICIANS

**Directions:** If you are a clinician and unfamiliar with Medicare coverage criteria, please access the following information:

## CMS Website

- Home Page: https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare.html
  - Scroll down to "Provider Type" to access provider specific Web pages. Review the information and links found on the appropriate Web page for your provider type.
- Internet-Only Manuals (IOM) Web Page: <a href="https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/Internet-Only-Manuals-IOMs.html">https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Manuals/Internet-Only-Manuals-IOMs.html</a>
  - Review the Medicare General Information, Eligibility and Entitlement Manual (CMS Pub. 100-01).
  - Review the appropriate chapter for your provider type in the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual (CMS Pub. 100-02). For example, home health clinicians would review Chapter 7 and hospice clinicians would review Chapter 9.
  - Review the Medicare National Coverage Determinations Manual (CMS Pub. 100-03).
- Medicare Coverage General Information Web Page: https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coverage/CoverageGenInfo/index.html
  - Review the information found in the Medicare Coverage Database: https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/overview-and-quick-search.aspx
- Provider-Type Information
  - Home health providers should review the information on the Home Health Agency (HHA) Center Web page: <a href="https://www.cms.gov/Center/Provider-Type/Home-Health-Agency-HHA-Center.html">https://www.cms.gov/Center/Provider-Type/Home-Health-Agency-HHA-Center.html</a>
  - Hospice providers should review the information on the Hospice Center Web page: https://www.cms.gov/Center/Provider-Type/Hospice-Center.html



Clinicians providing care in the home health setting are encouraged to review the information available for the Outcome and Assessment Information Set (OASIS):

https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/ HomeHealthQualityInits/OASIS-Data-Sets

## **CGS** Website

- Education & Resources: https://www.cgsmedicare.com/hhh/education/index.html
  - Review the information found on this page, focusing on the information specific to your provider type
- Home Health & Hospice Medicare Bulletin Web Page: https://www.cgsmedicare.com/hhh/pubs/mb\_hhh/index.html
  - Review the most recent and past editions of the monthly bulletin.
- LCDs & Coverage Web Page: https://www.cgsmedicare.com/hhh/coverage/index.html
  - Click on this tab and review the information accessible regarding draft, active and retired LCDs. Home health and hospice coverage guidelines are also available.
- Medical Review Web Page: https://www.cgsmedicare.com/hhh/medreview/index.html
  - Access information from this page about pre and post-payment review of claims, widespread edits, medical review additional development requests (MR ADRs), denial reason codes, and information about other Medicare review contractors.





