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HOSPICE PHYSICIAN COMPLIANCE CONFERENCE – EDUCATION AGENDA	
Date: Friday, August 19, 2022	
10am ET / 9am CT / 8am MT / 7am PT	
Time and Educational Content	Regulatory References and Content Overview
<p>10:00 – 10:15 AM (15-minute introductory session)</p> <p>1. Hospice Regulations and the Role of the Hospice Physician</p> <p>Presenter: Lauren Templeton, DO HMDC</p>	<p>Regulatory References: §418.20-30 §418.100-108; §418.58; §418.64</p> <hr/> <p>Goals/Deficiencies Addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The role of the Hospice Medical Director and other hospice physicians, including administrative and clinical functions ● Discussion on the differences between Conditions of Participation and the Conditions for Coverage and how this effects the hospice physician ● The role of the hospice physician in mitigating and responding to payment-related scrutiny ● The hospice physician’s roles and responsibilities related to organizational quality and compliance <hr/> <p>HMDC Blueprint: Regulatory, Compliance & Quality Improvement A 5; C 1-4</p>
<p>10:15 – 11:30 AM (75-minute session)</p> <p>2. Admission to Hospice Care</p> <p>Presenter: Carrie Cooley, RN MSN</p>	<p>Regulatory References: §418.20-22; §418.25-26; §418.102-104</p> <hr/> <p>Goals/Deficiencies Addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Review of the regulatory requirements pertaining to the election of hospice services including proper execution of the hospice election statement and hospice election statement addendum ● Discussion of the designation of an attending physician, if any, upon election and regulatory requirements related to the change of the designated attending physician thereafter ● Review of the regulatory requirements associated with the physician’s certification and recertification of terminal illness, as well as the accompanying narrative statement ● Review of the regulatory requirements related to the face-to-face encounter visit and its role in the hospice physician’s evaluation of ongoing hospice eligibility <hr/> <p>HMDC Blueprint: Medical Leadership and Communication D 1, 4; Regulatory, Compliance & Quality Improvement A 4, 9; B 1, 3, 4</p>

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11:30 – 11:40 AM	10-minute Break
<p>11:40 – 1:10 PM (90-minute session)</p> <p>3. Hospice Eligibility and Physician Certification</p> <p>Presenter: Lauren Templeton, DO HMDC</p>	<p>Regulatory References: §418.20-22; §418.25-26; §418.102-106</p> <p>Goals/Deficiencies Addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Discussion of the hospice physician’s role in the identification of the principal diagnosis and related conditions ● Review of the physician’s role in the execution of the hospice election statement addendum and determination of relatedness ● Discussion of the physician’s evaluation of hospice eligibility throughout the course of hospice care, including the utilization of the Local Coverage Determination (LCD) guidelines and terminal trajectories of illness ● Advanced discussion of the hospice physician’s determination of medication coverage, de-prescribing & formulary use ● Review of effective methodology related to the composition of a compliant, meaningful, and compelling physician narrative statement, including consideration and incorporation of the face-to-face encounter visit findings, as applicable <p>HMDC Blueprint: Medical Knowledge F 10; G; J; Medical Leadership and Communication D 1, 5; Regulatory, Compliance & Quality Improvement B 1-5</p>
1:10 – 1:40 PM	30-minute Lunch Break
<p>1:40 – 3:00 PM (80-minute session)</p> <p>4. An Update in Quality in Hospice Care: The Physician’s Role in the Hospice Care Index</p> <p>Presenter: Colleen O’Keefe, RN</p>	<p>Regulatory References: §418.56; §418.58; §418.312</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Comprehensive update on the Hospice Care Index (HCI) ● Review of the comprehensive assessment findings and how the findings inform the interdisciplinary group planning process and coordination of services ● Discussion of the physician’s role in the interdisciplinary group meeting, including evaluation of ongoing hospice eligibility throughout the course of hospice care ● Discussion of anticipatory care planning to enhance clinical outcomes and decrease undesired outcomes (e.g., revocation) ● The physician’s role in quality outcomes as pertains to the HCI <p>HMDC Blueprint: Medical Leadership and Communication D 1, 2; E; F</p>

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3:00 – 3:10 PM	10-minute Break
<p>3:10 – 4:10 PM (60-minute session)</p> <p>5. Higher Levels of Care</p> <p>Presenter: Carrie Cooley, RN MSN</p>	<p>Regulatory References: §418.56; §418.108-110</p> <hr/> <p>Goals/Deficiencies Addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Review of the regulatory requirements related to the higher levels of hospice care: General Inpatient (GIP) and Continuous Home Care (CHC) ● Discussion of the interdisciplinary group members’ roles and responsibilities regarding the provision of the CHC and GIP levels of care, including the hospice physician ● Discussion of effective hospice physician documentation during the provision of higher level of care (e.g., GIP and/or CHC) and physician home visits, including importance of demonstrating medical necessity <hr/> <p>HMDC Blueprint: Medical Knowledge F 1, 2; Regulatory, Compliance & Quality Improvement A 3</p>
4:10 – 4:20 PM	10-minute Break
<p>4:20 – 5:00 PM (40-minute session)</p> <p>6. Ending Hospice Care: Death, Discharge, and Revocation</p> <p>Presenter: Lauren Templeton, DO HMDC</p>	<p>Regulatory References: §418.26-30</p> <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Review the regulatory requirements related to live discharge, including the reasons for discharge, the physician’s order for discharge, and the effect of discharge ● Discussion of the interdisciplinary group members’ roles and responsibilities related to discharge planning and live discharge ● Discussion of the physician’s role in live discharge and proper documentation of the discharge. ● Advanced discussion on long length of stay patient’s and discharge for extended prognosis. <hr/> <p>HMDC Blueprint: Medical Leadership and Communication D 2; E; F; Regulatory, Compliance & Quality Improvement B</p>

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<p>5:00 – 6:15 PM (75-minute session)</p> <p><i>7. An Update in Hospice Auditing and Risk Mitigation Strategies for the Hospice Physician</i></p> <p>Presenter: Carrie Cooley, RN MSN & Lauren Templeton, DO HMDC</p>	<p>Regulatory References: §418.200</p> <p>Goals/Deficiencies Addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Discussion of the current environment of CMS contractor audits evaluating the payment-related eligibility of claims.● Detail physician-specific risk mitigation strategies for clinical record documentation● Explanation of physician strategies to ensure audit success, including expert-witness testimony preparation <p>HMDC Blueprint: Medical Leadership and Communication D 6; Regulatory, Compliance & Quality Improvement C 1, 2, 3, 4</p>