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Hospice News: Beware These Diagnoses That Top MAC's Hit List

You should cast a sharp eye on any hospice claims you submit with a primary diagnosis of Alzheimer's, dementia, failure to thrive, or debility -- because your MAC is going to.

In the fourth quarter of 2011, one of hospices' top denial reasons was for terminal prognosis, HHH MAC **NHIC** said in its March Hospice POE Advisory Group Meeting. Slow-declining diagnoses such as those listed above were most common in the denials, NHIC said according to the meeting minutes.