

## Eli's Hospice Insider

### Hospice News: MAC Offers Helping Hand With Documentation Tool

#### Does your documentation process involve the items on this checklist?

In light of increasing medical review from an array of sources, is a good time for smart hospices to tighten up their documentation. A recently posted Hospice Documentation Checklist tool may be just the ticket to kickstart your efforts.

The three-page tool from **CGS**, which covers the election statement, certification of terminal illness, Face-to-Face, Plan of Care, terminal prognosis, and Level of Care is at

[www.cgsmedicare.com/hhh/education/materials/pdf/j15\\_hospice\\_doc\\_checklistre.pdf](http://www.cgsmedicare.com/hhh/education/materials/pdf/j15_hospice_doc_checklistre.pdf).

**For example:** The election statement must include "acknowledgement the beneficiary has been given a full understanding of hospice care, **palliative versus curative treatment**," the checklist says.