

## MDS Alert

### Continuing Education: Earn 3.75 Continuing Education Contact Hours In Nursing

If you're interested in obtaining 3.75 continuing education contact hours in nursing for the July, August and September 2007 issues (Vol. 5, Nos. 7-9), review the newsletter issues in the light of the learning objectives below. Then take the enclosed test, which also includes directions for submitting your answers and the \$30 processing fee.

#### July 2007 MDS Alert

1. Identify the primary ways in which Transmittal 196 changes how FIs conduct medical review for SNFs.
2. Discuss two red flags involving rehab RUG patterns.
3. Explain how to use the SOAP approach to clean up a facility's problem list for care planning.
4. Discuss four strategies for doing a urinary continence assessment that captures a resident's true continence status.

#### August 2007 MDS Alert

1. Identify three strategies that will help you streamline the RAI process and improve MDS accuracy.
2. Identify information that the facility can get from a resident's family related to delirium and mood issues.
3. Discuss two key objectives of documenting rehabilitation therapies under Medicare Part A.
4. Identify three ways to prevent dehydration in nursing home residents.

#### September 2007 MDS Alert

1. Describe two cardinal signs of critical colonization or a surface wound infection.
2. Identify the consequences of not spotting and correcting a fatal error on an MDS submission.
3. Discuss when you should NOT code IV fluids administered in conjunction with an IV medication.
4. Discuss how to prevent an "I Care Plan" from translating into behavioral symptoms in a resident with dementia.