

OASIS Alert

Inservice: New PPS Starts Jan. 1: Use The Next 2 Months To Prepare

Plan now for the immediate training your staff needs.

Here's where to get the latest information on how to survive the massive changes heading your way: Sign up for these **Eli** audioconferences on the PPS final rule.

- "The Final Rule Is Here: Master Home Health PPS Changes for 2008." Attend this in-depth overview of the drastic 2008 PPS refinements and what they mean for your agency. Mark Sharp, CPA of BKD; Mon. Oct. 15, 1 pm ET, 90 minutes, http://www.audioeducator.com/.
- "Standing on the Threshold: The PPS Rule's Impact on Therapy Practice." Unless you understand the radical changes to therapy reimbursement in the PPS refinements final rule, you risk the success of your agency once the changes hit in January. Cindy Krafft, MS, PT, COS-C of Fazzi Associates; Thurs. Oct. 25, 1 pm ET, 60 minutes, http://www.audioeducator.com/.
- "Tackling V57.1 and Other Common Coding Dilemmas." Ever since HHAs started using V codes, CMS and its RHHIs having been watching for overuse of V57.x. But 2008 PPS changes stop paying extra for the most common diagnosis codes therapists have used for the last seven years. Here's how to keep your head above water. Judy Adams, RN, BSN, HCS-D of LarsonAllen; Tues. Nov. 27, 11 am ET, 90 minutes, http://www.audioeducator.com/.

Opportunity: And if you missed Adams' Sept. 18 audioconference **"PPS Rule Changes Finalized: New Diagnosis Coding Info You Need To Know,"** don't despair. You can find out about the huge case mix changes and the combinations of diagnosis codes and OASIS items that will add significantly to your reimbursement by ordering the CD or transcript at 1-800-508-2582. v

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