

2018 HOSPICE FUNDAMENTALS

*Subscriber
Webinars*



Pop some corn and pull up your chairs on the **second Friday** of every month for the Hospice Fundamentals subscriber webinar.

Plan on about an hour. We'll also record them so, even if you can't make the live version, you can always go back and listen later.

We've set 9 topics, we'll choose the other 3 based on what the year brings.


HOSPICE FUNDAMENTALS
KNOWLEDGE • EXPERTISE • COMMON SENSE

TUNE IN

1PM EASTERN
12PM CENTRAL
11AM MOUNTAIN
10AM PACIFIC

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
visit www.hospicefundamentals.com
or call us at 919-491-0699

TOPICS

JAN. 12 | *Making Sense of the Long Term Care Mega Rule: Psychotropics and Unnecessary Drugs*

What does the new LTC mega rule mean for residents receiving hospice care in a facility? Join us as guest presenter Bridget McCrate Protus, PharmD, MLIS, BCGP, CDP; Director of Drug Information, Optum Hospice Pharmacy Services; walks us through the rule and helps us understand the ramifications for hospices.

FEB. 9 | *The Role of Physician*

Although hospices have always emphasized the importance of the interdisciplinary team, somehow in our early days we often marginalized the role of the physician. What were we thinking? This webinar looks at the importance of the physician in two areas: provision of high quality care and compliance with Medicare regulations.

MARCH 9 | *The Brief Narrative & The Face to Face Encounter*

This month we welcome guest presenter Joan Harrold, MD, MPH, FACP, FAAHPM Chief Medical Officer, Vice President, Medical Services Hospice and Community Care, Lancaster and York Counties, to discuss the face to face encounter and the physician narrative. Both are increasingly important in establishing and maintaining eligibility and supporting payment. How is your hospice doing with them?

APRIL 13 | *TBD*

MAY 11 | *The Four Paths to Eligibility*

Think of the range of referrals that your hospice receives – does it run the gamut from those that are clearly eligible to those for which we need to dig a bit more deeply to make a determination? This webinar considers four paths to eligibility and guides a hospice in evaluating and supporting eligibility for all beneficiaries qualifying for the hospice Medicare benefit.

JUNE 8 | *The FY 2019 Wage Index Proposed Rule*

We'll review and discuss the provisions of the proposed rule and, from the musings in the narrative, try to discern what is on the mind of CMS.

JULY 13 | *The New Nursing Home Regulations & Hospices – How Is It Going?*

By this time our nursing facility partners will be six months into the new survey process and we will all have a better idea of which areas call for extra attention in the hospice – facility partnerships. We'll discuss them all in this webinar.

AUG. 10 | *Clinicians Connection: The Role of the IDG in Eligibility*

Supporting eligibility is the responsibility of the entire IDG – not just physicians and nurses. This installment of the Clinicians Connection series examines the challenge and explores strategies to support appropriate assessments, interventions, and documentation by all members of the team.

SEPT. 14 | *The Hospice Quality Reporting Program: The 2018 Updates*

As anticipated, the program continues to expand. How is it working for your hospice? This month we'll do a quick review of where we've been and where we might be going, discuss common problem areas and provide ideas for helping hospices use the HRQP data to improve care.

OCTOBER 12 *TBD*

NOV. 9 | *GIP: Getting it Right*

It's unlikely that interest in the general inpatient level of care will dissipate anytime soon so this month we'll explore GIP from several angles: the regulations, how to manage care in contracted facilities, supporting payment, and more.

DEC. 14 *TBD*