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**SAVE THE DATE**  
**A STROLL DOWN AVENUE "Q"**  
**August 4-5, 2016**  
**Par-A-Dice Hotel, East Peoria**

Nursing homes cannot ignore the need for quality improvement. Quality scores already affect your admissions and relationships with other providers because of the Five Star Rating, the new Quality Measures, and a public that is increasingly aware of Nursing Home Compare. Now the Impact Act with Value Based Purchasing and the Quality Reporting Program will affect your reimbursement. This conference will give you the information and the tools to move further down "Avenue Q."

**The Impact Act**

**Value Based Purchasing and the Demands on LTC**  
**Hospital Infection Control Initiatives that will Affect LTC Admissions**  
**OSHA Update and Recommendations**  
**Impact of the Illinois Budget Impasse on the Illinois Nursing Home Industry**  
**Medication Management and Psychotropic Reduction**

*Watch for the Brochure and registration in your email*

**TEN CEUs available for Nursing Home Administrators and Nurses**

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ROBERT ROILAND**

Robert Roiland retired from the INHAA Board after many years of service. Bob was the INHAA coordinator from 2001-2013 and a Board member for many years. The Board and members want to thank Bob for all his hard work and dedication. A thank you also to Kathy Eyre for filling the Board vacancy.

**BRING A NON-MEMBER ADMINISTRATOR TO A CONFERENCE FOR FREE**

Are you a member in good standing of INHAA for the past ten years? If you are, you are invited to bring a fellow non-member administrator with you to a conference this year for free. INHAA invites you to share your experience as an INHAA member with administrators who have not yet attended an INHAA conference.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE 2016 INHAA EVENTS**

August 4-5, 2016 at the Par-A-Dice Hotel in East Peoria

November 2-3, 2016 Convention and Trade Show at the Crowne Plaza in Springfield

## **FISCAL YEAR 2017 PPS PROPOSED RULE SNF INCREASE BUT BEWARE**

SNFs will be getting a raise to their Medicare rates beginning October 1, 2016. This includes a 2.6% increase to the market basket, less a 0.05% Multifactor Productivity Adjustment leaving a 2.1% addition to SNF PPS Medicare rates.

### **BUT BE CAREFUL:**

The SNF Quality Reporting Program due for implementation in FY2018 can reduce a facility's annual Medicare rate by 2% if they are not reporting required data. There will be three new claims-based Quality Measures that will be used with the SNF QRP.

- Discharge to Community – Post-Acute Care
- Medicare Spending Per Beneficiary – Post Acute Care
- Potentially preventable 30-Day Post Discharge Readmission

Although these changes will not take place for several years. Quality will now affect your reimbursement. If accurate admissions assessments are not done, changes in condition will not be recognized. Solid baselines on all residents must be established and quality programs in place to succeed in the Quality World of LTC.

## **CMS PAYROLL- BASED JOURNAL (PBJ) MANDATORY SUBMISSION JULY 1**

Staffing Data Submission Reminder: Electronic submission of staffing data begins on July 1 through the Payroll-Based Journal. You will have up to 45 days to submit data from July 1, 2016 to September 30, 2016. The last day of the quarter to submit data for the quarter is November 14, 2016. Two steps are needed:

1. Step 1: Obtain a CMSNet User ID for PBJ if you do not already have one for MDS submissions.  
<https://www.qtso.com/cmsnet.html>
2. Step 2: Obtain a PBJ QIES Provider ID for Casper Reporting and PBJ system access.

## **JOIN TELLIGEN'S NURSING HOME COLLABORATIVE FOCUS ON CLOSTRIDIUM DIFFICILE INFECTION: DON'T BE LEFT BEHIND**

*The following article is from Telligen, The Illinois QIO, with support from IDPH:*

*Start today, and get ahead of future federal requirements requiring facilities to have a system for preventing, identifying, reporting, investigating and controlling infections and communicable diseases. Learn to report infections as your hospitals do.*

*Clostridium difficile infection is a serious illness that causes diarrhea and colon inflammation. Each year 100,000 C. difficile infections occur in nursing home residents. These elderly patients are at a high risk for readmission and fatalities related to C. difficile.*

*This is your opportunity to work with state and national experts on a Quality Assurance Performance Improvement (QAPI) initiative to prevent and reduce C. difficile in nursing homes. There is **no cost** to providers. National Health Safety Network provides long term care (LTC) facilities with a customized system to track infections in a streamlined and systematic way. Telligen will support nursing homes registering with NHSN and submitting data into CDC's National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) which will provide analysis and creation of a national baseline for C. difficile infections in nursing homes. Participants will receive free education on antibiotic stewardship performance improvement projects, and TeamSTEPPS communication strategies.*

*In a letter dated May 18, 2016, Erica Runningdeer, MSN, MPH, RN Illinois Department of Public Health, Healthcare Associated Infection Prevention Coordinator encourages “your facility to show your commitment to preventing healthcare associated infections by partnering with Telligen...”. Please note, there is no cost for this initiative, the number of participants is limited, so enroll today! Participation Agreements and Fact Sheets can be found by visiting [Telligen Initiatives](https://www.telligeninqio.com/initiatives) Nursing Home Care, (go to “learn more” and scroll down): <https://www.telligeninqio.com/initiatives>*

## **SCHEDULED TOWN HALL MEETINGS**

Below is the list of the remaining scheduled IDPH Town Hall Meetings. IDPH has stated that reservations are required for ALL town hall meetings due to limited space in some locations. Reservations may be made beginning three weeks prior to the actual date of the Town Hall Meeting. All reservations should be made via email to [Lisa.Reynolds@illinois.gov](mailto:Lisa.Reynolds@illinois.gov). Please include the words “Town Hall Reservation” in the subject line.

**6/29—Norridge HC and Rehab—2-4 pm**

7001 West Collum, Norridge, IL 60706

**7/6—Washington County Hospital—1-3 pm**

705 South Grand Avenue, Nashville, IL: Capacity-- 60

**7/20—Pine Crest Manor—1-3 pm**

Meeting Location: 500 Evergreen Lane, Mount Morris, IL: Capacity—150

**8/2—Hope Creek Care Center—1-3 pm**

Meeting Location: 4343 Kennedy Drive, East Moline, IL 61244: Capacity- 80

**8/11—Hamilton Memorial Rehab—1-3 pm**

609 South Marshall Avenue, McLeansboro, IL 62859; Capacity--70

**8/31—Memorial Education Building, O’Fallon—1-3 pm**

706 E. Highway 50, O’Fallon, IL

**9/14—Alden Estates of Shorewood—1-3 pm**

710 West Black Road, Shorewood, IL 60404: Capacity--50

**10/19—Brookens Building, Champaign—1-3 pm**

500 South Art Bartell Drive, Urbana, IL 61802

**11/15—Friendship Village-- 10-12 noon**

350 W Schaumburg Road, Schaumburg, IL 60194: Capacity 150

## **EMPLOYMENT ALLEY**

### **Administrator**

Our 5-star facility has a rewarding opportunity for an experienced Administrator or an RN with 5 years previous management experience awaits. This individual must have proven leadership abilities in team building, customer service, best practices and the ability to adapt to the changing senior care profession. We are a Medicare-certified facility and we are quality oriented, well respected and well established. If you possess strong interpersonal skills to lead employees, deliver customer service effectively, and enjoy the many opportunities of today’s Post-Acute Care field, please send resume to: P.O. Box 3188, Bloomington, IL, 61702-3188 Attn: Admin Position

### **Administrator**

Administrator: Southern Illinois, Not for Profit, Long Term Care facility is looking for a dynamic Administrator to take the facility to its next level. Must be results orientated with a bias for action, ability to make independent decisions, a good communicator with proven financial success. A current Illinois Licensed Nursing Home Administration license is required as well as a minimum of three years experience in LTC management. We offer a competitive salary and benefits package. For more information contact or email your resume to: [KAabel.co@christianhomes.org](mailto:KAabel.co@christianhomes.org)

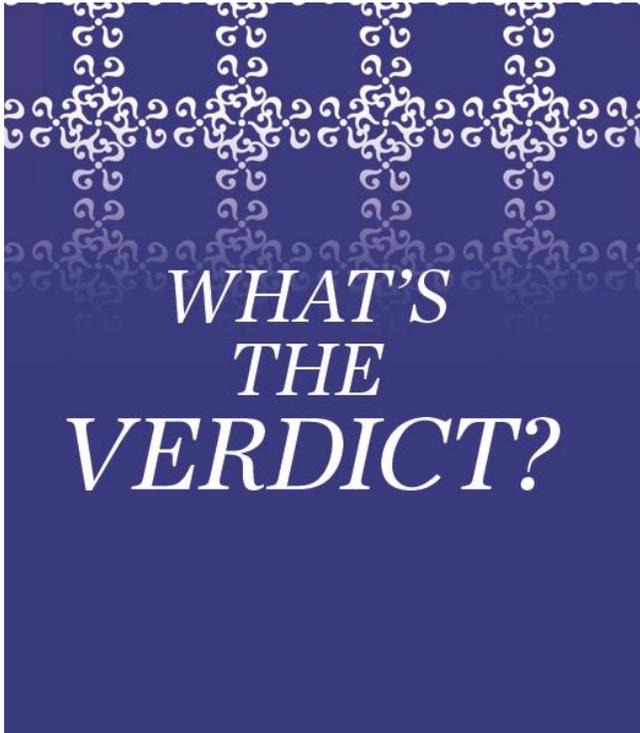
## **Part-Time Administrator**

Lambs Farm, a Libertyville, Illinois non-profit agency serving adults with developmental disabilities, is seeking to enter into a contract with a Nursing Home Administrator for a 16-bed Intermediate Care Facility. Requires four hours per month on premises to meet with Co-Managers, sharing information from regulatory agencies, receiving telephone calls regarding incidents/accidents, assisting with plans of correction/bed hold applications, and other duties as necessary. Call Dianne Yaconetti, President, (847.990.3700) for further Information.

***Employment Alley is published monthly for members and business members. The cost for non-members is \$30 a month - \$50 for two months - \$70 for three months. A business member listing is \$25 for one month - \$40 for two months - \$55 for three months. Send your approximate 55-word ad and payment to INHAA, PO Box 483, North Aurora, IL 60542 or fax it to 708-248-8078. For further information, call Susan Gardiner at 708-800-6161.***

## **Contacting the INHAA Office**

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