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EMERGENCY 911-ARE YOU PREPARED? Thursday, June 15 & Friday, June 16 Par-A-Dice Hotel, East Peoria

With the new Rules of Participation for Skilled Nursing Facilities, providers must be ready for any and all emergencies. Are you ready to conduct a practice evacuation in your facility? Are you meeting the new CMS guidelines? What procedures do you need to implement? This conference will give you the information you need to meet the new guidelines. Subjects will include:

IDPH/CMS Regulations for Emergencies
The Importance of Teamwork During Emergencies
Safe Evacuation and Cooperation with Your Community Organizations
Infection Control during Emergencies
Experiences of a Provider Who Has Been There
Importance of Advance Directives

TEN CEUs available for Nursing Home Administrators and Nurses

Conference Brochure Linked Here

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 INHAA conferences.

SHORT STAY REVIEW PROCESS

The following KEPRO information was received this past month:

- 1. CMS changed the selection process for medical records for Short Stay reviews. Beginning this month, BFCC-QIO's will no longer review a specific number of short stay claims based on a hospital's size of large vs. average. Now, CMS will sample the top 175 providers with a high or increasing number of Short Stay claims per Area with a request for 25 cases, and all other providers previously identified as having "Major Concerns" in the prior round of review will have a request for 10 cases. More information can be found at this link https://www.keprogio.com/twomidnight/Default.aspx.
- 2. In May 2017, KEPRO will implement a new process for medical records in the appeals department. Bar codes will be at the top of all fax request documents sent to providers and plans, which will directly correlate to the case ID associated with the case. KEPRO will now require that all providers make the request sheets with the barcode the first sheet of each batch of records that are submitted to the BFCC-QIO. If there are multiple batches, the request sheet sent by KEPRO needs to be the first sheet of each batch. If providers have any questions, they can reach out to the Communications Department by email, KEPRO.Communications@hcqis.org.

PROVIDER ENROLLMENT CHANGES FOR NURSING FACILITIES BILLING FOR OXYGEN

A new Provider Notice from the Bureau of LTC details a new enrollment option allowing LTC providers not enrolled as a Durable Medical Equipment (DME) provider to have the same designation in the IMPACT system as NFs. NF's billing for oxygen only are classified as low or "limited" risk.

"In the Program Advanced Cloud Technology (IMPACT) system, a NF enrolled as a Durable Medical Equipment (DME) provider is currently designated as a "high categorical risk." Long Term Care (LTC) providers, conversely, are designated as "limited categorical risk" in the IMPACT system. To streamline the enrollment process, while maintaining adequate safeguards and protections, LTC providers that bill for oxygen only, may now submit a separate enrollment in IMPACT. Facilities enrolling to bill for oxygen only will not be subject to the same Office of Inspector General (OIG) requirements as a DME provider because of the new "limited categorical risk" designation.

NFs directly billing for oxygen must have a National Provider Identifier (NPI) number that is separate from the NPI used to bill for institutional room and board services. To become eligible to bill for oxygen, the NF must enroll in IMPACT with a separate NPI. Questions may be directed to the Bureau of Long Term Care at: 844-528-8444." To review the complete notice click here.

Monthly Occupied Bed Provider Assessment Due Date Postponed

<u>June 15, 2017</u> is the due date for long term care providers for:

- The January 2017 assessment period/October 2016 reporting period, originally due March 15, 2017, has been extended to **June 15, 2017.**
- The February 2017 assessment period/November 2016 reporting period, originally due April 17, 2017, has been extended to June 15, 2017.

 The March 2017 assessment period/December 2016 reporting period, originally due May 15, 2017, has been extended to June 15, 2017.

According to HFS, "The Department continues to monitor long term care pending claims at the Comptroller's Office for October and December 2016 dates of service, and will update assessment due dates once payments are issued. Providers will be notified of future assessment extensions and/or revised due dates via the website, and are encouraged to sign up for e-mail notifications at this Link below." Until further notice, HFS will update this information monthly. Next update - on or before June 10, 2017. Past notices may be viewed here.

CMS EMERGENCY RESPONSE WEBSITE

CMS has a website to help providers get ready for the Emergency Preparedness Rule. The website has links to important information explaining the core elements of the rule; Severe Weather; Flooding; Infections and Viruses. Templates and checklists for facilities to use can also be downloaded. Visit the website to guide you through this process. CMS also has the slide presentation posted from the educational session they held last month.

EMPLOYMENT ALLEY ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR

Due to the retirement of our Administrator and the current Assistant Administrator taking that position, Sunny Hill Nursing Home of Will County is now accepting resumes for an Assistant Administrator.

This county owned home, located in Joliet, IL is a person centered community that strives to meet the needs of our elders with the highest quality of standards. This person will assist the administrator with daily operations in cooperation with other department managers to maintain a meaningful person centered environment for our residents and staff.

Sunny Hill offers an excellent starting salary, medical, dental and vision insurance, 13 paid holidays, paid vacation, and IMRF retirement plan. Candidate must be an Illinois Licensed Nursing Home Administrator in good standing with knowledge of state and federal regulations, the survey process, and employee relations. Must have at minimum of 1-2 years' experience as a manager in the long term care environment with excellent communication skills and leadership skills. Candidate must have a stable work history, be an energetic leader who is willing to learn and grow in this role and be committed to team oriented outcomes and quality of care for our residents. Basic Microsoft Office skills required, familiar with Point Click Care preferred. Experience working in a union environment beneficial. Send resume to Becky Haldorson at bhaldorson@willcountyillinois.com. Resumes will be accepted until the right candidate is found.

DIRECTOR OF NURSING

Illinois Veterans Home - Manteno is looking for a highly motivated candidate to supervise the overall nursing operations. Candidate must be licensed by the State of Illinois with 3 -5 years' experience working in a skilled facility as a DON or ADON. Has knowledge of State and Federal requirements and the survey process. Strong communication, organizational and leadership skills. Knowledge of point click care EHR system a plus. Interested candidates should email a resume to H R: ieri.gulli2@illinois.gov

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

INTERIM PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Licensed nursing home administrator offers interim and consulting services to facilities with needs. My services allow management to conduct search for qualified administrator while facility is operated competently. References. Harry Poole 1-618-806-2125. HPoole1947@gmail.com

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.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR ALL THE 2017 INHAA EVENTS

June 15-16, 2017 at the Par-A-Dice Hotel in East Peoria August 16-17, 2017 at the Par-A-Dice Hotel in East Peoria November 9-10, 2017 Convention and Trade Show at the Crowne Plaza in Springfield





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