

Hospice Software Developer/Vendor Call on July 16, 2013

CMS will host a Hospice technical informational call for software vendors and developers for the Hospice Item Set (HIS) on Tuesday, July 16, 2013. Call-in information is as follows:

Date: Tuesday, July 16, 2013

Time: 2:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M. ET

Conference Call Number: 1-866-712-2205

Conference Code: 4260581739

This call will cover topics such as:

- Introduction of the Division of National Systems at CMS
- Overview of the QIES ASAP (Assessment Submission and Processing) System
- Draft/Final Hospice Technical Data Submission Specifications (v1.00.0) related to the submission of Hospice Item Set (HIS) effective July 1, 2014
 - These Data Submission Specifications may be found at:
<http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/Hospice-Quality-Reporting/HIS-Technical-Information.html>
- CMS provided Validation Utility Tool (VUT)
- Submitted Q & A's

The agenda for the call will be available prior to this call on the QTSO website at:

<https://www.qtso.com/vendor.html>.

Please Note:

- We encourage vendor and provider software developers to familiarize themselves with this website (<https://www.qtso.com>) and review the website regularly for important technical information and updates.
- We encourage vendors to register on this website to receive important announcements from CMS. Registration is completed on the QIES Technical Support Office website (QTSO) website <https://www.qtso.com/vendor.html>.

Hospice software developers/vendors are encouraged to review specifications and submit questions specific to the Hospice July 2014, release to the Hospice Technical Issues mailbox (HospiceTechnicalIssues@cms.hhs.gov). The subject line must be "VENDOR CALL". Questions to be addressed on this call must be e-mailed prior to 6:00 pm ET on July 9, 2013.

****CMS strongly recommends that all Hospice Software Developers/Vendors attend this call.****