

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Center for Program Integrity (CPI)
Special Open Door Forum:
Law-Enforcement Observations About Home-Health Fraud
Wednesday, January 4, 2017
2:00-3:00 pm Eastern Time
Conference Call Only

CPI will host a Special Open Door Forum (ODF) to allow Home Health Agencies, physicians, Medicare practitioners, suppliers, and other interested parties to hear about law-enforcement observations on Home Health fraud.

Home Health Agency (HHA) services are a critical part of the health care continuum and are instrumental in helping a patient with Medicare benefits recover after an illness or injury. The Medicare home health benefit allows beneficiaries who are deemed homebound to receive certain medically necessary services in their homes, which is a preferred setting for many beneficiaries. In 2015, home health claims had a 59 percent improper payment rate, and a large proportion of the improper payment rate was because of insufficient documentation. Also, previous reports from the Office of Inspector General, the Government Accountability Office, and the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission show evidence of fraud and abuse in Medicare's home health benefit. This Special Open Door Forum will give participants an opportunity to hear about vulnerabilities in Home Health care from an Assistant United States Attorney (Northern District-Illinois).

You can find slides for this presentation in the downloads section at <https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Monitoring-Programs/Medicare-FFS-Compliance-Programs/Pre-Claim-Review-Initiatives/Overview.html>

We look forward to your participation.

Special Open Door Participation Instructions:
Participant Dial-In Number: 1-800-837-1935
Conference ID #: 46028206

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