Preparing for and Completing the New Hospice Cost Report

Monte Carlo Resort, Las Vegas
April 10-11, 2014

Yacht Club, Disney World
June 16-17, 2014

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Program Information

The Health Group, LLC was formed in 2010 by William T. (Ted) Cuppett, CPA. Ted has provided services to healthcare providers since graduating from West Virginia University in 1974. This experience includes being the Home Health/Hospice niche leader for Dixon Hughes Goodman, PLLC from 2001 through 2010. While serving all types of healthcare providers, The Health Group, LLC focuses extensively on serving home health agencies and hospices. Services rendered include reimbursement and cost reporting, financial consulting, strategic planning, mergers and acquisition assistance and due diligence, corporate compliance, and other facets of financial and management activities. Through Cuppett & Associates PLLC, an affiliate of The Health Group, LLC, healthcare providers have access to audit, accounting, financial reporting, and tax services. The Health Group, LLC, and its professional staff, are nationally recognized for serving home health agencies and hospices across the country.

Continuing Professional Education

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Delivery Method: Group Live
Prerequisite: None
Advance Preparation: None

Hotel Reservations

Special rates have been secured with the hotels; however, to secure these reduced rates (single or double occupancy), you must inform the hotel that you are attending the Health Group, LLC program when making reservations. The Health Group, LLC reserves the right to cancel any program due to circumstances that might arise. If such were to occur, all registration fees for that program would be refunded.

Hotel Contacts:
Monte Carlo Resort, Las Vegas – (888) 311-8999 (Group ID XTHEAG14)
Yacht Club, Disney – (407) 939-4686

Registration Information

Registration for the entire one and one-half (1 1/2) day program is $395, which includes buffet breakfast for both days and buffet lunch on the first day. If you register on or before February 15, 2014, you are entitled to an early registration of $345. Additional registrants from the same organization, regardless of which program they are attending, can register at $325 on or before February 15, 2014 or $345 after that date. Attendees can fax, email, or mail registrations. All cancellations will be charged a $50 administrative fee. No refunds can be made for cancellations less than 15 days before the program date. Do not hesitate to contact us at (304) 241-1261 or contact@healthgroup.com with any questions you may have regarding the conference. If you need to have any special arrangements made, we are available to assist you in any way possible.
PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (“CMS”) has released its second draft of the revised Hospice Cost & Data Report, subject to a thirty (30) day comment period ending December 23, 2013. The second draft of the Report reflects the intent of CMS to secure financial information on a level of care (“LOC”) basis. Material modifications are not expected to be made to the new report based on the comments on the second draft.

The revised Hospice Cost & Data Report represents a substantial modification to the existing cost report and require all hospices, including provider-based hospices, to modify their existing chart of accounts, develop methodologies for accumulating the newly required financial information, prepare for the statistics that will be required for reclassification and allocation of costs, develop processes for continuous accumulation of the required cost and statistical information, and prepare for increased cost report edits. CMS has readily admitted the revised cost report is designed to secure information necessary for rate setting by LOC.

The Health Group, LLC has been developing strategies and models for their clients since the original revised report was released in April 2013 due to extensive revisions being proposed. This program, Preparing For and Completing the New Hospice Cost Report, will offer attendees the most comprehensive training available (1 ½ days) regarding the new cost report, including hands-on tools for use by attendees in meeting the reporting obligations of the revised report. The speaker, William T. (Ted) Cuppett has been serving hospice providers since the inception of the hospice benefit, including preparation and review of hundreds of hospice cost reports.

Objectives:

- Introduce attendees to the completely revised Hospice Cost & Data Report
- Review with attendees the expansion of general and administrative, direct patient care, and nonreimbursable cost centers
- Discuss the accumulation of financial information, including chart of accounts revisions and unique aspects of accounting systems
- Provide attendees with a comprehensive review of the various statistics that will be required to facilitate the allocation of costs
- Provide attendees with a walk-through of the cost report with an emphasis on the areas of difficulty and flow of the information
- Provide attendees with aids that will be useful in the accumulation and reclassification of costs
- Provide an interactive communication with attendees focusing on issues of importance to their respective hospice

This program will focus on those individuals who have final responsibility for the report and those responsible for the cost report completion and/or accumulation of financial information. Accordingly, this program will be valuable to CEOs, CFO, Controllers, Accountants, and consultants who may be responsible for cost report completion. Information previously used for cost report completion will be insufficient for cost reporting years beginning on or after October 1, 2014.

The program is intended to provide hospices with the earliest opportunity to begin their preparation for the new report.
Registration

To register, remit payment and this completed registration form to The Health Group, LLC, 6220 Mid-Atlantic Drive, Morgantown, WV 26508, fax to (304) 241-1265, or email with credit card information to conferences@healthgroup.com. On-site registration will not be accepted. If you prefer, merely register and we will contact you to secure appropriate credit card information. Please refer to the program you are attending:

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