



Weekly Roundup

...Reporting the state and national long term care news

Please disseminate relevant information to the appropriate department.

- Administration Nursing Dietary Activities Social Services
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Friday, October 19, 2012

ANHA NEWS

October 24: Deadline to Sign up for 2012 My InnerView Customer Survey

Wednesday, October 24 is the deadline to sign up for the 2012 My InnerView Customer Satisfaction Survey.

To participate, complete/update your facility profile by Wednesday, October 24.

- **Fill out** the *attached spreadsheet* with your facility's information and send it to MyInnerView.
- Go to www.myinnerview.com; enter the user name and password provided by My InnerView or your corporate office. On the **Home** page, click on **Organization Editor** and review the information to ensure the facility information is accurate. To make a change, click on the **Edit** button in the lower-right of the screen, and then click on **Submit** to save changes.

ANHA provides the My InnerView employee, resident and family satisfaction surveys free of charge to member facilities. ANHA will pay for resident and family surveys up to the number of licensed beds in your facility, and employee surveys up to the number of licensed beds multiplied by 1.25. The data from this valuable ANHA member benefit can help you address concerns, defend against false claims or promote your facility. The results of each facility are confidential and ANHA only receives a statewide summary.

My InnerView will allow facilities the option of having the resident and family surveys sent to the facility in bulk so you may hand deliver the surveys and ask the resident or family member to fill it out and mail it back. Or, you may have the resident and family surveys mailed individually.

If you have questions, My InnerView can be reached at 800-601-3884 or surveys@myinnerview.com. Tell the operator that you are a member of ANHA. You will need to call My InnerView and set up an account if your facility is a first time user. You may also contact John Matson at the Association Office at (334) 271-6214 or jmatson@anha.org. *Please see the attachment for instructions for participating in the survey.*

NATIONAL NEWS

CMS Issues Survey and Certification Memorandums

The Centers for Medicare& Medicaid Services (CMS) has issued a series of survey and certification memorandums:

CMS Issues Survey and Certification Memorandum on F tag 309 – Quality of Care (Advanced Copy) - The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services made changes to surveyor guidance for End of Life in Appendix PP of the SOM to provide clarification to nursing home surveyors when determining compliance with the regulatory requirements for End of Life. The regulatory language remains unchanged. The revisions should be implemented no later than November 30, 2012. Please visit the following website for an advance copy of the revised guidance with all the new language presented in red and italics. At the end of the guidance is a copy of the surveyor training materials. <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/Downloads/Survey-and-Cert-Letter-12-48.pdf>

CMS Issues Survey & Certification Memorandum on F tag 155 – Advance Directives (Advanced Copy) - The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services made changes to surveyor guidance for Advance Directives in Appendix PP of the SOM to provide clarification to nursing home surveyors when determining compliance with the regulatory requirements for Advance Directives. The regulatory language remains unchanged. The revisions to the Surveyor Guidance at F tag 155 in Appendix PP of the SOM include resident’s rights to: Establish Advance Directives; and Accept or decline treatments. . The revisions should be implemented no later than November 30, 2012. Please visit the following website for an advance copy of the revised guidance with all the new language presented in red and italics. At the end of the guidance is a copy of the surveyor training materials. <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/Downloads/Survey-and-Cert-Letter-12-47.pdf>

CMS Issues Survey & Certification Memorandum on F tag 322 – Feeding Tubes (Advance Copy) - The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services made revisions to interpretive guidelines for Feeding Tubes in Appendix PP of the SOM to provide clarification to nursing home surveyors when determining compliance with the regulatory requirements for feeding tubes. The regulatory language will remain unchanged. CMS deleted F tag 321 which contained language about not using feeding tubes unless unavoidable, and incorporated the guidance into F tag 322. . The revisions should be implemented no later than November 30, 2012. Please visit the following website for an advance copy of the revised guidance with all the new language presented in red and italics. At the end of the guidance is a copy of the surveyor training materials. <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/Downloads/Survey-and-Cert-Letter-12-46.pdf>

CMS Issues Survey & Certification Memorandum on Advanced Copy – Revisions to State Operations Manual (SOM), Appendix P – Traditional Survey Protocol for Long Term Care (LTC) Facilities and Chapter 9/Exhibits including Survey Forms 672, 802, 802S and 802P - The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services has updated Appendix P of the State Operations Manual as well as Exhibits as part of Chapter 9. Survey Protocols for LTC Facilities have been revised for the Traditional Survey process Tasks 1-5C to reflect changes for the Minimum Data Set (MDS) 3.0; New Quality Measures (QM) Reports; Revised CMS forms 672 and 802, 802S

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and 802P; and Sampling and reviewing residents receiving psychopharmacological medications, specifically antipsychotic medications. Revisions to Chapter 9 of the SOM include various Exhibits including survey forms that have been revised to accommodate changes for MDS 3.0 and the new QM Reports; and New QM Reports available for use in the Traditional Survey Process. . The revisions should be implemented December 1, 2012. Please visit the following website for an advance copy of the revised guidance with all the new language presented in red and italics. At the end of the guidance is a copy of the surveyor training materials.

<http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/Downloads/Survey-and-Cert-Letter-12-45.pdf>

New Process for Beneficiary Name/Number Mismatches

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has implemented a change in how it handles name and number mismatches. In the past when a claim was submitted with a beneficiary name that did not match the name associated with the Health Insurance Claim Number (HICN) in CMS records, CMS assumed that the submitter made a mistake in listing the name. Accordingly, when the contractor returned the claim, it returned the name of the beneficiary that was associated with that HICN. If the submitter entered the wrong HICN, this could have resulted in the submitter receiving information belonging to a beneficiary the provider had not treated. If this happens in the future, the provider will instead receive the name it originally submitted with the claim.

As part of this change, CMS will no longer perform name searches. A name search used to occur where there was a name number mismatch and the system looked for a slight variation of the name, such as a switch of adjoining letters. In other words, a claim may have been processed even though the information submitted with the claim was not an exact match with CMS records. In the future, such claims will be returned. If that occurs, the provider will need to verify the beneficiary's entitlement information, correct its records and resubmit the claim.

Part D Guidance

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has released guidance on 2012 Part D low-income subsidy reassignment timelines as well as announced new resources on the reassignment process. *Attached is the CMS Bulletin laying out the target dates for information dissemination and subsequent plan enrollment as well as detail on the new resources.* Below is a short summary of key bulletin elements:

- **CMS Guide to Part D Mailings** -- This guide will summarize each notice's message, explain when it will be sent, and include the color of the paper on which the notice will be printed. This guide is available on the CMS Limited Income and Resources Web page at <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Prescription-Drug-Coverage/LimitedIncomeandResources/LIS-Notices-and-Mailings.html>. The model beneficiary letters also will be posted on this Web page, as they become available.
- **State Notification** – In October, CMS will send to each state files containing the names of individuals who have been reassigned. On October 17, 2012, CMS will send two files, if applicable, to each state. The first will list the LIS-eligible individuals in their state who will receive a blue PDP reassignment letter and the second file will list the LIS-eligible individuals who will receive a blue MA reassignment letter. Customer service representatives at 1-800-MEDICARE will be prepared to answer questions about the reassignment process and about beneficiaries' full range of options. In addition, plan information will be available at www.medicare.gov. The reassignment files that CMS sends to states will contain a list of

full duals, partial duals, Supplemental Security Income (SSI)-only eligible individuals, and approved LIS applicants residing in their state who will be receiving blue notices from CMS informing them that they will be reassigned. Individuals whom a State Pharmaceutical Assistance Program has requested that CMS carve-out of the reassignment process, under its authority to enroll on behalf of its members, will not be included in this file. This exclusion will ensure that such beneficiaries are reassigned only once. These reassignments will subsequently appear on the states' normal monthly MMA response file starting on or after October 15.

NPUAP Cartilage Position Statement

The National Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel (NPUAP) has released a new position statement on defining the pressure ulcer stage when skin over cartilage is noted. The position statement, *Pressure Ulcers with Exposed Cartilage are Stage IV Pressure Ulcers*, fines that cartilage serves the same anatomical function as bone and thus, pressure ulcers that have exposed cartilage should be classified as a Stage IV. Previously, the presence of visible or palpable cartilage at the base of a pressure ulcer was not included in the stage IV terminology. To view the position statement, go to: <http://www.npuap.org/resources/position-statements/>.

The MDS 3.0 RAI Manual defines Stage IV Pressure Ulcer as “full thickness tissue loss with exposed bone, tendon or muscle. Slough or eschar may be present on some parts of the wound bed. Often includes undermining and tunneling.” Since cartilage is not specifically specified in the manual definition, AHCA recommends that clinicians continue to code Stage IV as defined in the RAI manual and/or contact you state RAI Coordinator for coding clarification.

STATE NEWS

Medicaid Provider Re-enrollment in Progress for All Providers

Federal requirements mandate providers re-enroll periodically with the Alabama Medicaid program. Alabama Medicaid's fiscal agent, HP Enterprise Services, began the provider re-enrollment process in July 2012. Providers are selected for re-enrollment monthly based on the longest date of enrollment. A letter will be sent to the payee address on file for the provider when it is time for the provider to re-enroll. Only providers who are sent a letter will be allowed to download a facsimile from the interactive website. Please **do not** notify other providers or everyone in your network of the need to complete re-enrollment, as this has caused mass panic to those who had not yet been selected (not because they were omitted but because they were not due yet), and problems with HP receiving an influx of calls and unnecessary information. The letter instructs the provider to log onto the Interactive Medicaid Secure website and download a facsimile of the information on file. Instructions for downloading the facsimile can also be found on the Medicaid Agency website. Once the information has been printed and reviewed, the provider should sign page three of the facsimile, complete the appropriate forms and mail to HP Enterprise Services using the address provided on the letter and the facsimile. If changes are necessary, providers should make the appropriate changes on the facsimile. Please read the information on the facsimile carefully, as some providers have to send in additional information (For example EPSDT screening providers have to complete another EPSDT screening agreement form and return for processing). Documentation requirements can be found on the Medicaid Agency Website.

Facility or Group: If the provider enrolling is a facility or a group (not an individual practitioner), the signed facsimile, a provider agreement for the group, any additional forms as outlined below and a provider disclosure form for each individual that is an owner, Agent, Managing employee, Officer, Directors, and Shareholders with 5% or more controlling interest must be completed and returned.

NOTE: *The individuals/practitioners enrolled under the group do not complete an agreement until the provider has received notification to re-enroll. It is important to know that not all providers within the group will re-enroll at the same time.*

Providers and Vendors Should Be Preparing Now for ICD-10 Implementation: A Note from the Alabama Medicaid Agency

The International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision (ICD-10) medical coding system is mandated for use by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS); replacing ICD-9 CM codes (volumes 1-3). Due to the enhanced specificity and level of detail of the ICD-10 code set, the transition is anticipated to have a significant impact on the Alabama Medicaid program, health care providers and trading partners. ICD-10 Clinical Modification (CM) and the ICD-10 Procedure Code System (PCS) codes will improve the ability to monitor the incidence and prevalence of diseases, track treatment and health care delivery, prepare for Electronic Health Record (EHR) use, and manage reimbursement.

The current implementation date for this code set is October 1, 2013. DHHS proposed a rule that would delay the compliance date for ICD-10 from October 1, 2013 to October 1, 2014. Public comments gathered during the comment period are being analyzed and the Department will issue a final rule as expeditiously as possible. Alabama Medicaid is currently in the process of making system modifications for ICD-10. To keep providers informed, we have created a link on the Medicaid website for ICD-10 information and updates. The link will be updated regularly as new information becomes available for providers and vendors. The link is located on the Medicaid website on the provider tab. HP will also be asking providers and vendors to complete a readiness survey beginning in January. The links will be available on the Medicaid website, and information will be used to ensure a smooth transition for ICD-10.

ICD-10 COMMUNICATION

To receive email or fax updates concerning ICD-10 changes please take a moment to update contact information.

• Providers

Providers interested in receiving updates concerning ICD-10 should ensure email and fax numbers are updated by logging onto the Provider Web Portal and updating contact information.

Website: <https://www.medicaid.alabamaservices.org/ALPortal/default.aspx>

Navigation: Providers > Provider Maintenance > Provider Location Contact Information

• Trading Partners

Trading Partners interested in receiving updates concerning ICD-10 should ensure email addresses are updated by logging onto the Provider Web Portal and updating account information. Website: <https://www.medicaid.alabamaservices.org/ALPortal/default.aspx>

Navigation: Account > Account Maintenance

Medicaid now has a section on our website dedicated to ICD-10. The information can be found at the following link:

http://www.medicaid.alabama.gov/CONTENT/6.0_Providers/6.12_ICD-10/6.12_ICD-10.aspx

The website will be updated regularly as new information is made available for providers.

ICD-10 TESTING

Medicaid now has a section on our website dedicated to ICD-10. The information can be found at the following link:

http://www.medicaid.alabama.gov/CONTENT/6.0_Providers/6.12_ICD-10/6.12_ICD-10.aspx

Testing will be available summer of 2013. Once a firm start date and further testing definition is established the website will be updated so continue to check back regularly.

ICD-10 TESTING PARTICIPATION

Alabama Medicaid would like to engage Providers and Trading Partners interested in testing ICD-10 in summer 2013. Please submit the following to alabamaictesting@hp.com.

- Provider/Trading Partner Name
- Testing Contact Name
- Testing Contact Number, Email
- List transactions interested in testing

If interested in testing and continuing to receive updates on testing please ensure your communication contact information is up to date. Please go back and review the ICD-10 Communication section on this page for directions on updating this information.

ICD-10 TYPES OF TESTING

Testing is highly encouraged and will focus on transactions that provide for the submission of ICD-10 codes.

The following is a list of transactions anticipated for testing:

- Claims - 837 Professional, 837 Institutional
- Prior Authorization
- 835 Remittance Advice

ICD-10 END-TO-END TESTING

Full End-to-End Testing will be available. The following information provides direction for setup and what to expect.

- To ensure claims submitted will be available on the 835 a link between the Trading Partner ID and the Provider ID submitted in the claims transactions must be established. The following form 835 Testing TP Link Form must be copied into an email and submitted to alabamaictesting@hp.com prior to the start of end-to-end testing. An email notification will be returned once the link has been completed and end-to-end testing may begin.
- Please submit claims transactions with an ISA15 Interchange Usage Indicator value of a "P" if an 835 is desired.
- 835 files will be available for download through the trade files option on the web portal each Friday after 3:00 pm.

ICD-10 SECURE TESTING WEBSITE <https://www.alabama-uat.com/ALPortal/>

ICD-10 TEST MONITORING AND STATUS REPORTING

Alabama Medicaid would like to hear from Providers and Trading Partners who are actively testing and will be asking for feedback on testing efforts in general. A testing progress form will be made available once testing begins and all parties testing will be asked to complete this testing progress form.

ICD-10 GENERAL TESTING INQUIRIES

For general questions about ICD-10 testing please send an email to alabamaicctesting@hp.com.

ICD-10 PROVIDER ELECTRONIC SOLUTIONS (PES) SOFTWARE

The Provider Electronic Solutions Software is currently undergoing modifications for ICD-10 and a test version will be made available for testing summer 2013.

ADPH Offers Guidance to Facilities on Meningitis Outbreak

Editors Note: The following information was provided by the Alabama Dept. of Public Health's Center for Emergency Preparedness.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is stating that it cannot guarantee the safety of any products from the company, NECC. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) is suggesting that health care providers who received and used products from this company notify patients. Some states have had individuals approach clinics and facilities claiming to be FDA investigators and asking for lists of patients that received NECC products. While the FDA and DOJ are involved in this investigation, it is not common practice for the FDA to request patient specific records. Other facilities have reported requests from public health imposters with instructions on how specimens should be collected on suspect cases and where to send these specimens. Please verify all requests and report any of these situations to ADPH immediately by calling (800) 338-8374.

Other key information is available on the CDC website at the following links. Please note, the information changes on a daily basis, so if you download and distribute to others, please check back frequently to update your information. Finally, please forward this information to others in your facility that may need the information.

- FDA Statement on Fungal Meningitis Outbreak: Additional Patient Notification Advised
<http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DrugSafety/ucm322734.htm>
- Frequently Asked Questions for Clinicians: Multistate Fungal Meningitis Outbreak Investigation
http://www.cdc.gov/hai/outbreaks/clinicians/faq_meningitis_outbreak.html
- What Should Physicians Be Doing?
<http://www.cdc.gov/hai/outbreaks/clinicians/what-physicians-should-be-doing.html>
- Frequently Asked Questions For Patients: Multistate Fungal Meningitis Outbreak Investigation
<http://www.cdc.gov/hai/outbreaks/patients/faq-meningitis-outbreak-patients.html>

Reminder: Send Medicaid Cost Reports to ANHA

The Alabama Nursing Home Association will once again collect cost reports for analysis by our independent reimbursement consultant, Dave Bishop. As in the past, our reimbursement consultant will provide you a detailed analysis of your costs compared to the costs of other

facilities of a similar size. We cannot stress enough the importance of sending in your cost report. In order to negotiate with Medicaid on various issues, we need to have accurate information concerning the profession. This information has proved very beneficial in the past.

Please send a copy of your 2012 Medicaid Cost Report to kmagdon@anha.org or by mail to:
Alabama Nursing Home Association
4156 Carmichael Road
Montgomery, Alabama, 36106
ATTN: Katrina Magdon

Nurse Aide Abuse Registry

Please note that the following individual has been placed on the Alabama Nurse Aide Abuse and/or Sanction Registry. This individual is prohibited from working in any long-term care facility. To check nurse aides, you can use the nurse aide web site at www.adph.org (Click on Contents A-Z - located in the dark blue at the top of the screen - then Click on Nurse Aide Registry - then Click in the white box and type in the Social Security Number of the person you are trying to find. Be sure and include the dashes in the SSN.)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Amanda Drew	10/5/2012

OTHER NEWS

ADPH 4th Annual Education Conference

The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) will hold its 4th Annual Education Conference on Friday, November 9th at the Marriott Prattville Hotel & Conference Center. This course is designed for health care facility staff, design professionals, contractors and subcontractors associated with healthcare facilities. The course has been approved for 4.5 hours for Alabama NHAs by the Alabama Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators. For more information contact Debbie Stuckey by email at dstuckey@alaha.org or by phone at 1-800-489-2542.

AQAF Offers Education on Improving Dementia Care in Nursing Homes

The Alabama Quality Assurance Foundation (AQAF) will be offering three educational opportunities during the month of October. The course is entitled "Individualized Care and Environments: Non-Pharmacologic Interventions Instead of Anti-Psychotic Medications". The course will be offered on October 23rd and repeated again on October 24th and October 25th. There are no registration fees and there is limited seating. The course will be held at the AQAF offices in Birmingham, Alabama from 9 am – 3:30 pm. The course has been approved for 5 hours for Alabama NHAs by the Alabama Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators. For more information please contact Rose Finkelstein at 205-970-1600 ext 3107 or by email at rfinkelstein@alquio.sdps.org. You can also register on-line at www.AQAF.com.

Upgrades Greatly Enhances Free LTC Trend Tracker

LTC Trend Tracker (LTCTT) released new upgrades during this week. Included will be support for the new 2012 QMs, a Five Star QM Report and enhanced printing of the dashboard. The Five

Star Rating QM report is a game changer and will allow users to model various QM scores based on actual or desired facility data to see the overall effect on their QM rating, and what total score it will take to get to the next desired star rating.

Remember LTCTT is a free American Health Care Association (AHCA) member benefit, so if you are not one of the over 4,800 registered AHCA members using LTCTT, go to www.ltctrendtracker.com to learn more.

Free LTC Trend Tracker Webinars

In light of new changes in the long term care landscape and needing to be on top of your data, this is an excellent time to participate in AHCA's informative, free webinar on LTC Trend Tracker (LTCTT).

LTCTT users can track, organize, identify, benchmark, examine and compare facility data on multiple CASPER reports in minutes without the "data mania" or "data drama" that often ensues in facilities not using LTCTT. LTCTT is a free member service provided by the American Health Care Association (AHCA). Please click on the link to register for the webinar that best suits your needs.

These webinars are designed for the person that is not registered and wants to learn more about this free member service:

- October 25 at 1:00 p.m.: <https://cc.readytalk.com/cc/s/registrations/new?cid=pb1whlwz2wmu>

Learn more about how to use the recent upgrades: off-label antipsychotic, Rehospitalization, QM Modeling Report:

- October 29 at 1:00 p.m.: <https://cc.readytalk.com/cc/s/registrations/new?cid=uvy2wx1sp1zp>

These webinars are designed for the registered user, we will review secrets of the system:

- Friday October 26 at 10:00 a.m.: <https://cc.readytalk.com/cc/s/registrations/new?cid=bu17gwymwnjw>
- November 1 at 1:00 p.m.: <https://cc.readytalk.com/cc/s/registrations/new?cid=mejcu7wo4hld>

AHCA Disaster Planning Webinar

The American Health Care Association (AHCA) has announced the following free webinar:

Date & Time: November 7, 2012, 1:00 p.m.–2:00 pm

Webinar title: Disaster Planning

Speakers: Stan Szpytek, President, Fire and Life Safety, Inc.; Jeff Chester, Vice President, ACT

Registration Link: <http://webinars.ahcancal.org/session.php?id=9565>

Session Description the webinar topics will include:

- Human Reaction to Crisis/Disaster
- Development of a "Culture of Preparedness"
- Utilization of an "All Hazards" Approach to Disaster Planning, Response and Recovery
- Benefits of Hazard Vulnerability Assessment (HVA)
- Integration of an Emergency Management Model-Nursing Home Incident Command System
- Critical Importance of Pre-Planning for Disaster Recovery/Restoration

- After the storm, building the recovery team
- Restoration; the good, bad, and ugly
- Understanding your insurance coverage

Learning Objectives:

1. Learning the need for a culture of preparedness
2. Learning the importance of Hazard Vulnerability Assessment (HVA)
3. Critical Importance of Pre-Planning for Disaster Recovery / Restoration

2013 AHCA National Quality Award Applications Are Now Available

The 2013 AHCA/NCAL National Quality Award program is in full swing. AHCA/NCAL encourages all member facilities to get involved in the program. **Why get involved?** The program criteria is a powerful resource for quality improvement activities. Silver and Gold Quality Award recipients are more likely to have fewer survey deficiencies, better quality measures (such as lower use of off-label antipsychotics) and higher satisfaction scores than the national average. The Quality Award program can also help facilities meet the four AHCA/NCAL Quality Initiative goals! Lastly, Quality Award recipients receive national recognition that can assist in marketing efforts.

Facilities planning to apply for the 2013 program should submit an Intent to Apply by November 1, 2012! This is not mandatory, but there are a number of benefits associated.

- The overall application fee is reduced by \$200 at each award level; and
- Applicants who submit the Intent to Apply will receive regular communications from Quality Award staff with deadline reminders and tips on applying for the award.

To submit an Intent to Apply, facilities can simply visit

http://www.ahcancal.org/quality_improvement/quality_award/Pages/ApplicantResources.aspx or email program staff at qualityaward@ahca.org for instructions.

The Bronze Criteria Series is a sequential series of videos, or seminars, that address each of the twenty Bronze Criteria. This series was developed to help applicants understand and meet the demands of the Bronze criteria. To check out this series; please download the Bronze Viewing Guide at

http://www.ahcancal.org/quality_improvement/quality_award/Documents/Bronze%20Quality%20Award%20Series%20Viewing%20Guide.pdf .

2013 Program Deadlines:

- Intent to Apply Deadline (not mandatory): November 1, 2012 at 8 p.m. EST
- Bronze Application and Fee Deadline: January 31, 2013 at 8 p.m. EST
- Silver Application and Fee Deadline: February 28, 2013 at 8 p.m. EST

For additional information, please visit

http://www.ahcancal.org/quality_improvement/quality_award/Pages/ApplicantResources.aspx or email program staff at qualityaward@ahca.org.

SAVE THE DATE: EDUCATIONAL SEMINARS

“Affordable Care Act – Financial and Legal Implications” Educational Seminar: November 28

Please mark your calendars for November 28, 2012, as ANHA will present a seminar entitled “Affordable Care Act – Financial and Legal Implications.” This seminar will be held at The Wynfrey Hotel in Birmingham. *More information regarding this seminar will be forthcoming.*

“Legal Compliance in Nursing Homes” Educational Seminar: January 9

Please mark your calendars for January 9, 2013, as ANHA will present a seminar entitled “Legal Compliance in Nursing Homes.” This seminar will be held at The Wynfrey Hotel in Birmingham. *More information regarding this seminar will be forthcoming.*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
October 17-19	ANHA Act/SS Annual Convention	The Wynfrey Hotel Birmingham	

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WEB SITES:

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AL Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators <http://www.alboenha.state.al.us>
AL Dept. of Public Health <http://www.adph.org>
CMS <http://cms.gov>