

Critical Access Hospital (CAH) Conditions of Participation 2021: Ensuring Compliance

Multi-part webinar series that covers the entire manual

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Description Overview

There were over 700 pages of new regulations for CAHs for 2020, including a change to all the tag numbers with a new CAH manual. Most of the new Tag numbers do not include Interpretive Guidelines or Survey Procedures. This is a must attend webinar for every CAH.

This four-part webinar will cover the entire CAH CoP manual. There were many changes in 2020 from the 600 pages of CMS new discharge planning and Hospital Improvement Rules. These address requirements for the antibiotic stewardship program, access to medical records, QAPI, infection control, policy review time frames, emergency preparedness, credentialing of the dietician, quality and appropriateness of the diagnosis, changes to the swing bed requirements, and more.

There are 25 new tag numbers in infection control and antibiotic stewardship and 10 new tag numbers in QAPI. It also added the revised emergency preparedness requirements. The October 2018 changes rewrote all of the swing bed regulations along with four 2020 changes. They also now contain the swing bed interpretive guidelines and survey procedures which are under Appendix PP. Changes were made to the survey process and procedures.

CAHs hospitals must comply with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services' CoP manual for Critical Access Hospitals. The CMS regulations and interpretive guidelines serve as the basis for determining compliance and this manual will be discussed in detail as well as the revised changes. Attendees will learn details about the CoPs and what to do when a surveyor arrives at your facility.

This seminar will help CAHs comply with specific CoP problem areas, including nursing care plans, necessary policies and procedures, nursing medication carts, drug storage, informed consent, history and physicals, verbal orders, medication administration, security of medications, protocols, standing orders and emergency preparedness. There are many pharmacy standards and medication-related sections that will be covered in detail. Every tag section in the regulations and interpretive guidelines also will be covered. Attendees will learn details about the CoPs and what to do when a surveyor from arrives at your facility.

Who Should Attend?

CEOs, COOs, CFOs, Nurse executives, Accreditation and regulation director, Nurse managers/supervisors, Pharmacists, Quality managers, Risk managers, Healthcare attorneys, Health information management personnel, Social workers, Dieticians, Nurses, Nurse educators, Patient safety officer, Infection preventionist, Radiology director, Laboratory director, Emergency department directors, Outpatient director, Medication team, Ethicist, Director of Rehab (OT, PT, speech pathology, and audiology), OR supervisor, OR staff, CRNA/anesthesia providers, Dietician, Radiology staff, Infection control committee members, Pharmacists, Compliance officers.

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Part Four of Four - Radiology, Rehab, Visitation, Medical Records, QAPI, Organ Procurement, Swing Beds

Objectives - At the conclusion of part four, participants should be able to:

- Explain the informed consent elements required by CMS,
- Describe the requirements for history and physicals for CAH,
- List what must be contained in the operative report,
- Discuss what the CAH must do to comply with the requirements for notification of the organ procurement (OPO) agency when a patient expires,
- Recall that CMS has many patient rights that are afforded to patients in swing beds.
- Recall that hospitals must have a visitation policy and patients must be informed

Radiology

- Radiology services
- Radiology staff
- Scope of radiology services
- Radiology policies required

Rehab

- Order
- Plan of care requirements

Visitation

- Written copy to patient and document
- Patient advocate

- When patient is incapacitated
- P&P required
- Staff education required

Medical Records

- Final changes
- Timely access to medical records
- OCR now fining hospitals if access is not timely
- Medical record standards
- Identification of author
- Inpatient and outpatient requirements for medical records
- Records System
- Informed consent
- List of procedures required for consent
- Medical necessity and the RACs (recovery audit contractors)
- History and physicals
- Discharge summaries
- Preventing unnecessary readmissions
- Response to treatment
- Confidentiality of medical records
- Retention of medical records
- Protection of Record Information

QAPI

- New requirements and compliance
- No system-wide program
- QAPI worksheet
- Review of all new tag numbers but no interpretive guidelines

Organ, Tissue and Eye Procurement

- Definition of imminent death
- Tissue and eye bank
- Family notification
- Organ donation

Special Requirements for CAH Providers of Long-Term Care Services (Swing beds)

- Rewritten and four changes in 2020
- Eligibility
- Payment
- SNF Services
- Resident Rights
- Exercise of Rights
- Notice of Rights and Services

- Free Choice
- Privacy and Confidentiality
- Mail
- Access and Visitation Rights
- Personal Property
- Married Couples
- Admission, Transfer and Discharge Rights
- Transfer and Discharge
- Payment of care
- Content of notice
- Resident Behavior and Facility Practices
- Restraints, Abuse
- Staff Treatment of Residents
- Hiring of employees
- Activities
- Social Services
- Dental requirements
- Resident Assessment
- Comprehensive Care Plans
- Discharge Summary
- Nutrition
- Provision of Services
- Websites for CAH
- CAH resources