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DAL: *DHCBS 15-07*
Subject: *Implementation of OASIS-C1/ICD-10
and OASIS Resources*

Dear Administrator:

The purpose of this letter is to notify Certified Home Health Agencies and Long Term Home Health Care Programs of upcoming changes to the Outcome and Assessment Information Set (OASIS) data set, and the availability of OASIS resources and training. The OASIS-C1/ICD-10 item set is replacing the current version (OASIS-C 1/ICD-9) effective October 1, 2015. The OASIS-C1/ICD-10 item set is required for all assessments completed **on or after October 1, 2015.**

The OASIS-C1/ICD-10 incorporates diagnoses items consistent with ICD-10-CM and replaces the ICD-9 items (M1010, M1016, M1020, M1022, M1024) with the corresponding ICD-10 items (M1011, M1017, M1021, M1023, M1025). The complete set of OASIS-C1/ICD-10 data items, as well as the subsets of the OASIS-C1/ICD-10 that are collected at each time point (Start of Care, Recertification, Discharge, etc.) can be found at: <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/HomeHealthQualityInits/OASIS-C1-DataSets.html>.

As a reminder, OASIS data collection is required for Medicare and Medicaid (including Medicaid & Medicare Managed Care) patients, 18 years and older, receiving skilled services (nursing services or physical, occupational, speech therapies) with the exception of patients receiving services for pre- or postnatal conditions. OASIS data is collected as part of the comprehensive assessment required by the Medicare Conditions of Participation.

OASIS data collection is designed to enable systematic comparative measurement of home health care patient outcomes at two points of time (such as start of care and discharge). Accuracy of OASIS data collection is key in producing quality reports that can be used by the agency to assess and improve the quality of care provided, to adjust per episode payment rates for patient conditions that affect care needs, and for accurate public reporting on the Department of Health, Home Health Profile website:

<http://homecare.nyhealth.gov/> and the CMS Home Health Compare website: <https://www.medicare.gov/homehealthcompare/.html>.

Clinicians performing comprehensive assessments and collecting the OASIS data should refer to the OASIS-C1/ICD-10 Guidance Manual when completing assessments. Chapter 3 - OASIS ITEM GUIDANCE of the Guidance Manual contains item by item specific instructions for each OASIS item (M item) and is an excellent resource to ensure OASIS accuracy. The OASIS-

C1/ICD-10 Guidance Manual, including Chapter 3, is available for download at:

<http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/HomeHealthQualityInits/HHQIOASISUserManual.html>.

In addition to the Guidance Manual there are several other OASIS resources and training available on the CMS website as follows:

OASIS Resources:

CMS Quarterly OASIS Q & As: <https://www.qtso.com/hhatrain.html>

OASIS Guidance Skin and Wound from WOCN: <http://www.wocn.org/?page=oasis>

CMS Online training modules:

<http://surveyortraining.cms.hhs.gov/pubs/ClassInformation.aspx?cid=0CMOASISCWBT>

OASIS-C1/ICD-9 CMS Training Webinar Recording:

<http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/OASIS/Training.html>

This webinar is also applicable to the OASIS- C1/ICD-10 data set.

OASIS-C1/ICD-9 CMS National Webinar Handout 09_03_14:

http://www.oasisanswers.com/aboutoas_links.htm

I hope this information is helpful. If you have specific OASIS training needs or have questions regarding OASIS, please send a note to: oasis@health.ny.gov.

Sincerely,



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