Medicare Alphabet Soup
for Outpatient Rehabilitation Practices: Navigating the Medicare Maze

Tuesday | January 30, 2018
8:15 am - 4:45 pm | Check in @ 8:00 am
Upstate AHEC Training Room
104 S. Venture Dr., Greenville, SC 29615

About the Course:
Medicare is an ever-changing landscape for outpatient physical therapists. From Functional Limitation Reporting, Manual Medical Review and Medicare Caps, to Outcome Tools, Probe and Targeted Audits, Total Time Rules, Maintenance, MIPS and Documentation Requirements, the regulations seem overwhelming. Learn how to navigate the Medicare maze.

This course will provide a clear understanding of the Medicare rules and regulations for outpatient physical and occupational therapy. Participants will develop a basic understanding of the audit process and how to position oneself for success in an audit situation. This course will cover the issues that therapists find most confusing.

About the Instructor:
Robbie B. Leonard, PT, DPT is a 1986 graduate of Clemson University (B.S. Microbiology), 1988 graduate of Duke University (M.S. Physical Therapy) and a 2017 graduate of the transitional DPT program at the University of Montana (tDPT).

Robbie has clinical and administrative experience in both hospital and outpatient private practices. She has served as an educator in many capacities including providing continuing education seminars nationwide in the area of Medicare, compliance, billing and coding, neurological rehabilitation and rehabilitation administration. She has taught in the academic setting at the Medical University of South Carolina and currently teaches the Administration Course at Western Carolina University.

Robbie has owned a private practice and has served as the VP of Administration for a large private practice with over 250 employees and 30 clinics in multiple states. Robbie has completed the Lean Healthcare Certificate Program at Belmont University and has experience implementing Lean Methodology in Outpatient Therapy. Robbie is currently the Chief Operating Officer for the Medical Billing Center, Inc. MBC specializes in billing for outpatient therapy businesses.
Education Level: Intermediate

AOTA Classification Code: Category 3 (Administration and Management | Legal, Legislative, Regulatory and Reimbursement Issues)

Instructional Methods: Lecture

Prerequisites: None

Objectives:

At the conclusion of this program, each participant will be able to:
- Describe the data that Medicare is capturing and how that data can impact your practice.
- Discuss the regulations regarding plans of cares and how those can impact reimbursement.
- List the required Medicare documents and the required elements of each of those.
- Define MIPS and how MIPS might impact outpatient practices in 2019.
- Discuss the review process for the $3700 therapy cap and gain insight from the 2017 reviews.
- Choose the appropriate Medicare regulations as it relates to maintenance and which patient populations would meet the regulations.
- Compare and contrast the Medicare billing rules and commercial payers.
- Identify the most common charge codes and propose when to choose each of them to best define practice.

Course Schedule (7 contact hours) - Tuesday, January 30, 2018

8:00 - 8:15  Registration
8:15 - 9:00  Introduction, Medicare Basics
9:00 - 9:30  Medicare Data and its Impact
9:30 - 10:00 Medicare Regulations Part 1 (Supervision, Referrals)
10:00 - 10:15 Morning Break
10:15 - 11:15 Medicare Regulations Part 2 (Plans of Care, Documentation Requirements, FLR)
11:15 - 12:00 Medicare Regulations Part 3 (Medicare Cap, Maintenance, MIPS)
12:00 - 1:00  Lunch
  1:00 - 1:30  CPT Coding Basics
  1:30 - 2:00  New Evaluation Codes - How Are You Doing?
  2:00 - 2:45  Billing and Coding Rules
  2:45 - 3:00  Afternoon Break
  3:00 - 4:00  Billing and Coding, Case Scenarios, Auditing Your Records
  4:00 - 4:45  Conclusions/Questions/Next Steps for Your Clinic/Post Test
Continuing Education Credit:

Physical Therapists -
This activity is currently under review by ProCert. Should the activity be certified this outcome and the Continuing Competence Units (CCUs) awarded will be posted in the aPTitude system and on the Upstate AHEC website www.upstateahec.org. Certification may be awarded retroactively after the actual delivery date of the activity.

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Others -
This program is approved for 0.7 CEUs (7 clock hours) by Upstate AHEC and meets the SC AHEC Best Practice Standards.

Course Completion Requirement: Participants must attend 100% of the educational activity in order to complete it and score at least 80% on the post-test.

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Email registration@upstateahec.org or call 864-349-1160 with any registration issues!

To ensure your space, pre-registration and payment must be received by January 17, 2018.