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manual updates to clarify requirements for PHYSICIAN CERTIFICATION and RECERTIFICATION OF PATIENT ELIGIBILITY for home health services.

Change Request (CR) 9119 manualizes policies discussed in the Calendar Year (CY) 2015 Home Health Prospective Payment System (HH PPS) Final Rule, published on November 6, 2014. CR9119 instructs MACs to be aware of the revisions to the requirements for physician certification and recertification of patient eligibility for Medicare home health services. MACs are also instructed to be aware of the revised timeframe for therapy functional reassessments. Make sure that your billing staffs are aware of these changes.

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PS&R System – REQUEST ACCESS NOW!

Registration for access to the PS&R system has resumed using IACS. Please use this system to access PS&R reports. You will now be able to order and receive PS&R reports needed to file your cost report.

For more information, please review **this article** and share it with your staff.

can i submit my **QUARTERLY CREDIT BALANCE REPORT (CMS-838)** via OPS?

YES, YOU CAN!

Palmetto GBA is pleased to offer providers the capability to submit their quarterly Credit Balance Reports in Online Provider Services (OPS). You may access the form via the Financial Forms sub-tab located under the Financial Tools tab in OPS. **READ MORE>>**

NAHC'S LEGISLATIVE HOTSHEETS now available.

Hotsheets serve as an important tool to quickly understand the most important issues affecting the home care and hospice community. NAHC's Office of Legislative Affairs recently released the Legislative Hotsheets for 2015. These tools help advocates prepare for legislative visits, and serve as good primers regarding the most pressing issues for the home care and hospice community.

VIEW THE HOTSHEETS HERE:

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in the **SPOTLIGHT**

NAME: Jamie Carney

POSITION: Revenue Recovery Associate

YEARS WITH PMB: 1 year, 4 months

PETS: I have a 3-year-old Corgi named Barry. He's trouble.

FAVORITE SONG: "Meant to Live" by Switchfoot has always been my go-to song.

FAVORITE QUOTE:

"Happy are those who dare courageously to defend what they love." — Ovid

BET YOU DIDN'T KNOW:

People tend to think of me as a serious person, but I'm really funny. I'm kind of a comedian.



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