Common Links for Home Health, Hospice, and CAP/PCS General Info

National Links

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/

This is the main CMS web site

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/center/hha.asp

This is a one-stop resource for Home Health Agencies.

https://qtso.cms.gov/providers/home-health-agency-hha-providers/software

This is where the OASIS Grouper software is found

https://list.nih.gov/cgi-bin/wa.exe?A0=hh-pps-l

Listserv archives of HH PPS articles maintained by the National Institutes of Health (NIH)

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/ICD-10factsheet2008.pdf

ICD-10 info sheet

PGBA (All except Virginia and Michigan send Medicare claims here)

http://www.palmettogba.com/palmetto/palmetto.nsf/SiteHome?ReadForm

PGBA home page - the main link we will use is Regional Home Health & Hospice Intermediary (RHHI)

Then look under EDI for other links that are handy.

State-Specific Links

Michigan

Michigan Medicare, click here.

North Carolina

https://medicaid.ncdhhs.gov/

This is the home page for the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Medical Assistance.

Click on Medicaid Providers.

http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/dma/WebNPI/default.htm

NC DMA site to look up NPI and Carolina Access numbers

South Carolina

http://www.dhhs.state.sc.us/dhhsnew/ServiceProviders/ProviderManualsAll.asp?pType=Hospice%20S

SC Hospice Services Manual

Virginia

Cahaba GBA (Virginia Medicare claims are sent here)

https://www.cahabagba.com/rhhi/index.htm

CMS Links

General Sources, Publications, and Web Sites

CMS Internet-Only Manuals (IOMs)

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Manuals/iom/list.asp

Conditions of Participation

http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_99/42cfr484_99.html

HAVEN

https://www.qtso.com/havendownload.html and
http://www.cms.hhs.gov/OASIS/045_HAVEN.asp#TopOfPage

HHA Center

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/center/hha.asp

Home Health Compare

http://www.medicare.gov/HHCompare/Home.asp

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Med Learn Network

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNGenInfo/

NPI Registry

https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/NPIRegistryHome.do

OASIS Archives

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/HomeHealthQualityInits/20_HHQIArchives.asp#TopOfPage

OASIS-C

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/HomeHealthQualityInits/06_OASISC.asp#TopOfPage

OASIS Data Specifications

https://www.qtso.com/hhadownload.html and
http://www.cms.hhs.gov/OASIS/04_DataSpecifications.asp#TopOfPage

OBQI

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/HomeHealthQualityInits/16_HHQIOASISOBQI.asp#TopOfPage

OBQM

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/HomeHealthQualityInits/18_HHQIOASISOBQM.asp#TopOfPage

Open Door Forum

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/OpenDoorForums/17_ODF_HHHDME.asp#TopOfPage

Home Health PPS Payment

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/HomeHealthPPS/01_overview.asp#TopOfPage

OASIS Privacy Rights Notice

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/OASIS/03_Regulations.asp#TopOfPage

Home Health Quality

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/HomeHealthQualityInits/

Quality Measures Management Information System (QMIS) Frequently Asked Questions

https://www.cms.hhs.gov/apps/QMIS/

OASIS Regulations

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/OASIS/03_Regulations.asp#TopOfPage

Rulemaking

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/eRulemaking/

State OAC/OEC information

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/OASIS/06_EducationCoord.asp#TopOfPage

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/OASIS/07_AutomationCoord.asp#TopOfPage

State by State Comparison of Measures

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/OASIS/09b_hhareports.asp#TopOfPage

CMS Survey and Certification

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/01_Overview.asp#TopOfPage

OASIS Q&A's Submit and Review questions

Q&A Tracking Table

https://www.qtso.com/hhadownload.html

Mailbox

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/OASIS/09_HHAQA.asp#TopOfPage (to be updated in association with OASIS C)

Guidelines and Best Practices

Home Health Best Practice Intervention Packages (QIO)

http://www.homehealthquality.org/hh/hha/interventionpackages/default.aspx

Falls Prevention Best Practice Intervention Package (A comprehensive Best Practice Implementation Package from the Home Health Quality Improvement Campaign that helps home health agencies to design and implement a fall prevention program for their patients.)

http://www.qualitynet.org/dcs/ContentServer?cid=1200602385264&pagename=Medqic%2FMQTools%

Evidence-Based Practice Guidelines, University of Iowa, College of Nursing

http://www.ahrq.gov/clinic/cpgonline.htm

National Guideline Clearinghouse™ (NGC):

http://www.guideline.gov/browse/guideline_index.aspx

VNSNY Geriatric Home Care Excellence

http://www.champ-program.org/

Healthcare Technology

NQF and HIT

http://www.qualityforum.org/Topics/Health_Information_Technology_(HIT).aspx

Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC)

http://healthit.hhs.gov/

http://www.hhs.gov/healthit/onc/mission/

http://www.himss.org/ASP/index.asp

http://www.hhs.gov/healthit/initiatives/

http://www.hitsp.org/news.aspx

http://www.nationalehealth.org/

http://nhinwatch.com/

Infection Control and Immunizations

CDC

http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/default.htm

http://www.cdc.gov/flu/

http://www.cdc.gov/az/

Medical Resources

Activities of Daily Living Definitions

http://www.cancer.gov/Templates/db_alpha.aspx?CdrID=430402

Congestive Heart Failure

http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/ency/article/000158.htm

http://www.emedicinehealth.com/congestive_heart_failure/article_em.htm

Diabetes

http://www.diabetes.org/

http://diabetes.niddk.nih.gov/

Diabetic Foot Care

http://diabetes.niddk.nih.gov/dm/pubs/complications_feet/index.htm

http://www.ndep.nih.gov/media/Feet_HCGuide.pdf

MEDLINE Medications

http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/druginformation.html

Mental Health Resources

Alzheimer's

http://www.alz.org/living_with_alzheimers_caring_for_alzheimers.asp

BIMS' performance in national testing in community setting is included in a final report to CMS. Saliba D, Buchanan J. 2008. "Cognitive Patterns" Chapter 5 in Development & Validation of a Revised Nursing Home Assessment Tool: MDS 3.0.

Depression Recognition & Assessment in Older Home Care Patients e-learning module, Weill Medical College of Cornell University:

http://www.geriu.org/uploads/applications/DepressionInHomecare/DinHomecare.html

Brown EL, Raue PJ, Roos BA, Sheeran T, Bruce ML. 2009. "Training Nursing Staff to Recognize Depression in Home Healthcare." Journal of the American Geriatrics Society.

http://dx.doi.org/10.1111/j.1532-5415.2009.02626.x

CMS website. Available:
http://www.cms.hhs.gov/NursingHomeQualityInits/Downloads/MDS30FinalReport.pdf

Chodosh J, Edelen MO, Buchanan JL Yosef JA, Ouslander JG, Berlowitz DR, Streim JE, Saliba D. "Nursing Home Assessment of Cognitive Impairment: 2008. Development and Testing of a Brief Instrument of Mental Status." Journal of the American Geriatrics Society 56(11): 2069-2075.

Caregivers

http://www.nextstepincare.org/

Cognitive assessment tools

http://alzheimers.about.com/od/diagnosisissues/a/clock_test.htm (clock test)

Mini-Mental Status exam

http://www.minimental.com/

Risk Assessment Tools and Condition-Specific Resources

American Heart Association Statements and Practice Guidelines

http://www.americanheart.org/

Depression

PHQ-2 resources

http://www.innovations.ahrq.gov/content.aspx?id=2280

PHQ-2 resources (University of Washington Impact Program)

http://impact-uw.org/tools/phq9.html

Falls Risk

Home Care Fall Reduction Initiative risk Assessment Screening Tool (A multi-factor falls risk screening tool from the Missouri Alliance for Home Care, specifically designed for home care patients at Start of Care and Re-certification)

http://www.homehealthquality.org/shared/content/hhqi_campaign/bpip_falls_prevention/Fall_Risk_As

Timed Up and Go (TUG) Test Demonstration video (Demonstration of how to administer the Timed Up and Go (TUG) test -- can be used as one component of a multi-factor risk assessment used to identify persons that are at risk of falling due to balance or gait problems)

http://www.qualitynet.org/dcs/ContentServer?cid=1216667046043&pagename=Medqic%2FMQPresen

Get-up and Go Test (A brief assesment of gait and balance – University of Iowa, Iowa Geriatric Education Center)

http://www.healthcare.uiowa.edu/igec/tools/categoryMenu.asp?categoryID=3

National Heart Lung and Blood Institute

Body Mass Index guidelines

http://www.nhlbisupport.com/bmi/

Pain

Non-verbal patient pain assessment:

http://prc.coh.org/PAIN-NOA.htm

Geriatric Pain:

http://www.champ-program.org/

Pressure Ulcers

Established, validated pressure ulcer risk tools include the Braden Scale for Predicting Pressure Sore Risk and the Norton Scale (both of which are available at

http://providers.ipro.org/index/nhqi-tools

Braden

http://www.bradenscale.com/

Norton scale

http://www.woundcarehelpline.com/NortonScale.pdf

NQF Framework

http://www.qualityforum.org/Projects/n-r/Pressure_Ulcer/Pressure_Ulcers.aspx

National Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel (NPUAP)

(www.npuap.org)

Pressure ulcer definitions:

http://www.npuap.org/pr2.htm

Pressure ulcer pictures:

http://www.npuap.org/resources.htm

NPUAP 's Pressure Ulcer Scale for Healing (PUSH)

http://npuap.org/tools.htm

Wound Ostomy and Continence Nurses Society (WOCN)

http://www.wocn.org/

Leg ulcers:

http://www.wocn.org/pdfs/WOCN_Library/Fact_Sheets/C_QUICK1.pdf

OASIS guidance

http://www.wocn.org/WOCN_Library (Look for the upcoming OASIS-C Guidance Document)

Professional Organizations

ANA

http://www.nursingworld.org/

ANA Releases Revised Scope and Standards of Practice for Home Health Nurses (11/21/07)

http://www.nursingworld.org/FunctionalMenuCategories/MediaResources/PressReleases/2007/Revised

AOTA

http://www.aota.org/

APTA

http://www.apta.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Home_Health1&TEMPLATE=/CM/ContentDisplay.cfm&

ASHA

http://www.asha.org/default.htm

Quality Resources

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

http://www.ahrq.gov/

AHRQ's Health Care Innovations Exchange Web site

http://www.innovations.ahrq.gov/ (Innovations and QualityTools classified by disease or clinical category, patient population, stage of care, setting of care, and more.)

AHRQ's Quality Measures Database - National Quality Measures Clearinghouse (NQMC).

http://www.qualitymeasures.ahrq.gov/

Commonwealth Fund Commission on a High Performance Health System:

http://www.commonwealthfund.org/

Diversity:The Provider's Guide to Quality and Culture

http://erc.msh.org/mainpage.cfm?file=1.0.htm&module=provider&language=English

Institute for Clinical Systems Improvement

http://www.icsi.org/

http://www.icsi.org/guidelines_and_more/patient_education_resources/

Institute for Healthcare Improvement

http://www.ihi.org/

http://www.ihi.org/ihi/workspace/

Institute of Medicine

http://www.iom.edu/CMS/28312/RT-EBM.aspx

http://www.iom.edu/CMS/3718.aspx

http://books.nap.edu/openbook.php?isbn=0309072808&page=1

MedQIC

http://www.qualitynet.org/dcs/ContentServer?pagename=Medqic/MQPage/Homepage

National Transitions of Care Coalition (NTOCC)

http://www.ntocc.org/

Safety Resources

AHRQ Patient Safety

http://www.psnet.ahrq.gov/

Joint Commission

http://www.jointcommission.org/AccreditationPrograms/HomeCare/

Joint Commission National Patient Safety Goal

http://www.jointcommission.org/PatientSafety/NationalPatientSafetyGoals/09_ome_npsgs.htm

Fall Risk/Safety

http://www.nice.org.uk/nicemedia/pdf/CG021quickrefguide.pdf

Geriatric

http://www.champ-program.org/page/51/tools

Medication Safety Institute for Safe Medication Practices (ISMP)

http://www.ismp.org/Tools/anticoagulantTherapy.asp

http://www.ismp.org/Tools/highalertmedications.pdf

QualityNet -- Tools for evaluating potential inappropriate medications

http://www.qualitynet.org/

TJC - Medication Management:

http://www.jointcommission.org/NR/rdonlyres/A4E32C3D-FFDA-4B3A-9754-DBAA8054145A/0/OME_M

Teamwork/TeamSTEPPS Training Curriculum Materials

http://teamstepps.ahrq.gov/index.htm

VA National Center for Patient Safety

http://www.va.gov/NCPS/TIPS/tips.html

Knowledgebase
http://kb.barnestorm.biz/KnowledgebaseArticle50309.aspx