



The Medicare Learning Network® — a CMS resource to educate home health care and hospice providers

The Medicare Learning Network® (MLN) provides the resources that Medicare fee for service health care providers need to understand topics such as the ins and outs of billing rules. Using the MLN will let home health and hospice providers devote more of your office time to patient care.

MLN information is available to you at no cost!

Official information from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

The MLN is part of CMS. It produces official, nationally consistent materials regarding the Medicare Program as it impacts Medicare Fee-For-Service (FFS) providers.

The MLN issues materials on the Medicare Program in a variety of media formats (such as guides, articles, brochures, booklets and Web-based training modules). With MLN materials, you can relax, knowing the materials are kept current through regular updates. So providers like you have fast access to understanding the impact of changes in Medicare Program policy, regulations, and procedures.

The MLN collaborates with specific experts to develop materials that translate complex and comprehensive Medicare Program information into plain language that is accurate and easy to understand.

A wealth of resources and learning formats for FFS Providers

MLN Matters® Articles is a convenient reference for Medicare Program changes. These articles are a growing resource archive that contains over 3,500 documents – each of which details a change in policy or procedure for the Medicare Program. Currently there are more than 30 articles for home health care and hospice providers – with new articles being authored as needed.

With 15 courses on a variety of topics, **MLN Web-Based Training Modules** allow users to view and conveniently enroll online. Many of the courses offer Continuing Education Credits. Of course, like all MLN products, the training modules are free. In addition, **MLN's Multimedia Web Page** contains additional resources such as **Podcasts** and **Videos** on a variety of topics.

To help you quickly find exactly the information you need, in the format that is best suited for you, the **MLN Catalog of Products** presents a comprehensive and regularly updated overview of every official MLN product, resource, and tool.

Whether you are like thousands of providers across the country who are already frequent users of MLN resources, or you're reading about the MLN here for the first time – take

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MLN Resources Overview

MLN Catalog of Products

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MLN Matters® Articles

You can find articles specific to Home Health Care and Hospice listed in the [MLN Matters Articles Index](#) at

<http://www.cms.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/2011MLNMattersArticlesIndex.pdf>

Web-Based Training Modules

<http://www.cms.gov/MLNProducts>

Visit the link and click on Web-Based Training Modules under the *Related Links Inside CMS* section.

Podcasts

MLN's multimedia page at <http://www.cms.gov/MLNProducts/MLM/list.asp> includes a podcast with transcript titled: *Oxygen Therapy Supplies: Complying with Documentation & Coverage Requirements* as well as other podcasts of relevance to home health care and hospice providers.

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