

The next Home Health, Hospice & DME Open Door Forum is scheduled for Wednesday, August 9, 2017 at 2:00-3:00 PM Eastern Time (ET).

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I. Opening Remarks

Chair – Hillary Loeffler, Center for Medicare
Moderator – Jill Darling (OC)

II. Announcements & Updates

- a. Hospice CAHPS updates
- b. CY 2018 Home Health Prospective Payment System Final Rule
 - Request for Information
 - CY 2018 Proposed Payment Rate Updates
 - CY 2019 Proposed Case-Mix Adjustment Methodology Refinements
 - Proposed Changes to the Home Health Quality Reporting Program
 - Proposed Changes to the Home Health Value-Based Purchasing Program
- c. Guidance Modification Related to Home Health “One Clinician” Convention
- d. FY 2018 Hospice Wage Index and Payment Rate Update Final Rule
 - FY 2018 Payment Rate Updates
 - Hospice Quality Reporting Program Updates and Hospice Compare

III. Open Q&A

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