

PDGM

A checklist to help you and your staff get ready for all the changes.



Overall Preparation

- Educate entire staff about PDGM and implications for their job
- Determine estimated revenue impact
- Perform coding/OASIS audit
 - Identify potential impact of QE, comorbidities, etc.
- Evaluate current processes and workflows
 - Are these sustainable under PDGM?
- Contact your Senators and Representatives supporting legislation to eliminate the behavioral adjustment
 - S.433 introduced by bipartisan group of Senators



Maximize Technology

- Contact your EMR provider –what are they doing to prepare?
 - Which new functionalities/ reporting will be available?
 - When will these new features be released for testing?
 - Will your current workflows be viable after EMR updates?
- Documentation Management
 - Facilitate compilation, storage and review of referral documents
 - Streamline start of care workflow
 - Allow for documentation to be analyzed based on specific categories (i.e., referral source)
- Orders Tracking
 - Maximize use of e-fax or electronic communication
 - Establish workflow for minimizing turnaround time on signed physician orders
 - Eliminate delays in checking signed orders into EMR



Leverage Industry Resources

- NAHC, state organizations and other advocacy groups
 - Several workshops, seminars, and webinars are available
- Use the knowledge of expert organizations to assist with your preparation (e.g., BlackTree Healthcare Consulting, Simone Healthcare Consultants)
- Analyze the Limited Data Set (LDS) from CMS to understand how your agency will be affected
 - Many consulting groups have purchased the LDS and can lead this process for you

Start preparing now. Contact your Medline Representative today to see how we can make this transition easier.

