

NHPCO COVID-19 Update - 05/15/20

NHPCO has created this update for hospice and palliative care providers to share recent news and helpful links.

"Unless you have courage, a courage that keeps you going, always going, no matter what happens, there is no certainty of success. It is really an endurance race."

— Henry Ford

Policy Updates

A Free Learning Opportunity Not to Miss

Providers will not want to miss the webinar, <u>Dealing with Multiple Sources of CARES Act Funding (Provider Relief Funding, PPP Loans, Accelerated Payments) and Preparation for Reporting</u>, offered on May 18, 2:00 to 4:00 pm ET. Join us for an increased understanding of provider obligations relating to the various funding streams available to them during this period. To meet their pressing concerns regarding use of funds and preparing for reporting to the funding sources, attendees will be provided with practical guidance in the identification of qualifying charges against the respective revenue sources as well as the avoidance of duplicate charges against those revenue sources. Faculty: Meg Pekarske and Bryan Nowicki, Husch Blackwell, Mark Sharp, CPA and Aaron Little, CPA, BKD, and Ted Cuppett, CPA, The Health Group. Register online.

Provider Updates

New NHPCO Resource for Providers – Crisis Standards of Care

This new document discusses Crisis Standards of Care which can also be labeled as Ethical Allocation of Scarce Medical Resources during a disaster. This topic can be controversial as it provides a framework for healthcare professionals to utilize a predetermined framework to determine which individuals will receive life savings care during an emergency event or disaster and which ones will not. With the event of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE), it is important for palliative and hospice care providers to be familiar with Crisis Standards of Care. This is a NHPCO member-only resource. To download this resource:

- 1. First, members must log-in to nhpco.org
- 2. Then, once logged in, access the Member-Only COVID-19 Resource page
- 3. Download Crisis Standards of Care in Hospice and Palliative Care Emergency Management

National Quality Forum Webinar

Hospice and Long-Term Care at the Front Lines of the Pandemic, on May 19, 2020, 3:00 pm ET. Post-acute providers have been the hardest hit communities in COVID-19 Pandemic. Edo Banach, President & CEO of NHPCO will share what these organizations are learning and how COVID-19 may impact the provision of hospice and long-term care going forward. Presented by the National Quality Forum. Registration is now open.

Resources

CDC Updated/New Resources

- COVID View Weekly Summary (5/15/20)
- Factors to Consider When Planning to Purchase Respirators from Another Country (5/15/20)