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Update on Medicare Appeals & the Administrative Law Judge Backlog

Webinar #T4090

DATE AND TIME

December 14, 2017
9:30 - 10:30 a.m. CT

OVERVIEW

In the past few years, providers relying on the Medicare appeals process to obtain or retain reimbursement for their services have been adversely impacted by the backlog at the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) level of appeal of over 650,000 pending appeals. This webinar will provide an update on the ALJ backlog, trends regarding provider success rates in the appeals process, and recent changes in the Medicare Appeals process and the Recovery Auditor program process undertaken to address the backlog. We will also offer some insights based on own experiences with the appeal process for hospital providers, including inpatient rehabilitation facilities, and for physicians.

OBJECTIVES

1. Discuss the status of the OMHA Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Backlog.
2. Explain new initiatives and rules related to the ALJ Backlog and future/potential changes.
3. Assess the potential impact of the ALJ Backlog on providers and the appeals process.
4. Describe recent trends for administrative appeal decisions.
5. Examine current and anticipated issues for hospitals and physicians.

TARGET AUDIENCE

Key stakeholders including hospital executive leaders, utilization review, compliance officers and in-house counsel.

FACULTY

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