

## PHYSICIAN SUPERVISION OF HOME HEALTH SERVICES

Commonwealth Home Health wants to work with you to save you time, reduce your stress, and give your patients the highest quality of care. Pay for performance is on the horizon and we are on your side. We want to provide you with the information you need to bill Medicare for your part in the home health process.

When you make a referral to Commonwealth Home Health, we will mail you a plan of care (form 485) which must be reviewed and signed by you. This validates the medical necessity of the services ordered. The original must be returned to us. We will mail you the patient's 485 update every 60 days as required by Medicare. At this time, you can recertify the patient for continued home health services if you choose. At the end of every month, we will send you a list of your patients who have been discharged from our services. This will allow your billing person to know how and when to bill for reimbursements.

### 2006 MEDICARE CPO REIMBURSEMENT RATES:

CODE	DESCRIPTION	RATE
G0180	MD Certification of a HH patient	\$ 67.72
G0179	MD Re-Certification of a HH patient	\$ 51.73
G0181	Home Health Care Supervision	\$ 114.38

You can bill Medicare for home health certification, re-certification, and supervision. Each service has a separate billing code. Home health care supervision requires 30 documented minutes of physician care plan oversight per month. Attached is a form you can use for this documentation which should make it easier for you.

Please contact me at (434) 572-1312 or [rroller@firstcare.biz](mailto:rroller@firstcare.biz) for additional help or information.

Sincerely,

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