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## Hospice Provider Education 2025

### *Specific, Comprehensive Training for Physicians & Nurse Practitioners*

In today's audit-intensive environment, it is absolutely vital that your hospice's physicians and nurse practitioners function within the Condition of Participation and Condition of Payment regulations. This includes documentation, organization operations, audit response and more. Registration and attendance at any of these courses shows an investment in your practitioners and your hospice!

- ◆ **Hospice Physician Compliance Conference**  
April 18 or August 22
- ◆ **Hospice Physician Documentation Intensive**  
May 9 & 16 or November 7 & 14
- ◆ **Nurse Practitioner Documentation Clinic**  
January 31, April 25, August 1, or October 24
- ◆ **The GIP Level of Care Intensive**  
February 14 or July 11
- ◆ **Hospice Audit Survival Training**  
June 13 or October 10

*I never knew how important my job was until now. This course truly has changed my vision!*  
— Hospice Physician Compliance attendee 2024

*Informative, clear, and concise! Great learning and sharing knowledge for our specialty!*  
— Nurse Practitioner 2024

*I have never attended a seminar that had a flow that just made sense and truly tied the entire picture all together!*  
— Boot Camp attendee 2024

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For more information and to register, go to  
<https://education.hospicecompliance.com/education-events>



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Amount of credit varies by event (Audit education & GIP education).

*All dates subject to change.*



## *Course descriptions*

◆ **Hospice Physician Compliance Conference ... two sessions ...** April 18 or August 22

This all-day event will provide the hospice physician with a comprehensive foundation of the Medicare Hospice Benefit and is essential for hospice physician leadership and engagement in hospice compliance. This course is applicable to all hospice physicians including those new to hospice, preparing for Initial HMDC Certification, or seasoned physicians who are looking to re-engage with their organization. However, this course is specifically designed to catapult new hospice physicians into the complexities of hospice regulations while providing guidance on best practices to ensure compliance and payment.

◆ **Hospice Physician Documentation Intensive ... two 2-part sessions ...** May 9 & 16 or November 7 & 14

Two 2-hour intensives focused on documentation strategies specifically designed for the hospice physician. Course content includes clinical eligibility determinations, composing physician narrative statements, and wholly utilizing the physician's expertise to draft compelling documentation to support payment. The intensive sessions also address correct use of hospice assessment tools, and creating compelling and compliant documentation to ensure payment. This course has a documentation emphasis while integrating the basics of eligibility and compliance. If a hospice physician is struggling to draft strong physician narrative statements, this intensive course is a great place to start!

◆ **Nurse Practitioner Documentation Clinic ... four sessions ...** January 31, April 25, August 1, or October 24

Focusing on enhancement of the Nurse Practitioner's clinical assessment and documentation of the Face-to-Face Encounter (F2FE), this one-day course delineates the roles of the nurse practitioner and the hospice physician. This course will include an in-depth review of disease trajectories, Local Coverage Determination (LCD) guidelines, and hospice assessment tools and how to include these elements in the F2FE documentation to assist the certifying physician in making a strong prognostication decision. This course is designed to share best practice documentation tips to ensure F2F documentation enhances the patient's clinical record and serves as a great tool for the recertifying physician.

◆ **The General Inpatient (GIP) Level of Care Intensive ... two sessions ...** February 14 or July 11

Use of the General Inpatient (GIP) Level of Care is high on CMS' radar where hospices are evaluated on both the lack of provision or excessive provision of this higher level of care. This course will provide guidance on appropriate utilization, documentation and billing of GIP care, while also offering strategies for strengthening your hospice's GIP practice. Hospice medical directors, hospice physicians, nurse practitioners and hospice administration should not miss this intensive course designed to maximize hospice GIP compliance.

◆ **Hospice Audit Survival Training ... two sessions ...** June 13 or October 10

Payment-related audits from CMS contractors pose the greatest financial risk to hospice providers today. However, many hospices remain ill-equipped to properly respond to these audits (e.g., Targeted Probe and Educate (TPE), Supplemental Medical Review Contractor (SMRC), or Unified Program Integrity Contractor (UPIC) audits, etc.) and mitigate payment-related denials during the Medicare appeals process. In this course, the teams from Weatherbee Resources and the Hospice Medical Director Certification Board (HMDCB) will take a deep dive into the most prevalent audits and share a step-by-step plan to ensure a timely and comprehensive response from initial clinical record submission to the provision of expert witness testimony at the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) appeal level or beyond. This course is designed for hospice leaders, medical directors, hospice physicians, clinical managers, compliance officers, and billing personnel.

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