

Common Industry Acronyms—Home Health and Post-Acute Care

CERT—Comprehensive Error Rate Testing

CJR—Comprehensive Care for Joint Replacement

CMS—Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

CoPs—Home health *Conditions of Participation*

DME—Durable medical equipment

ePHI—Electronic protected health information

HCS-D—Home Care Coding Specialist—Diagnosis

HCS-O—Home Care Coding Specialist—OASIS

HHA—Home health agency

HHCAHPS—Home Health Care Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems

HRGs—Home Health Resource Groups

HHS—U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

HHVBP—Home Health Value-Based Purchasing

HIPAA—Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996

HIPPS—Health Insurance Prospective Payment System

IMPACT Act—Improving Medicare Post-Acute Care Transformation Act of 2014

LUPA—Low-utilization payment adjustment

MAC—Medicare Administrative Contractor

MedPAC—Medicare Payment Advisory Commission

NAHC—National Association for Home Care & Hospice

NHPCO—National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization

NOA—Notice of Admissions

OASIS—Outcome and Assessment Information Set (home health assessment tool)

OIG—HHS Office of Inspector General

PCR—Pre-claim review

PDGM—Patient-Driven Groupings Model (new payment system introduced January 1, 2020)

PEPPER—Program for Evaluating Payment Patterns Electronic Report

PHI—Protected health information

POC—Plan of care

PPS—Prospective Payment System

RAC—Recovery Audit Contractor

RCD—Review Choice Demonstration (CMS' latest audit program targeting states in Texas, Ohio, Illinois, Florida, and North Carolina)

SNF—Skilled nursing facility

SOC – State of Care

VNAA—Visiting Nurse Associations of America

WOCN—Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nurses Society