



2019 PRIORITIES

1. Medicare Post-Acute Care Reforms
 - a. Unified Post-Acute Payment Reform
 - b. IMPACT Act Implementation
 - c. Bundled Payments, BPCI-A initiative, and Functional Outcomes (APMs)
 - d. Refining Documentation of IRF Medical Necessity
 - e. Oppose Prior Authorization to Ensure Continued Timely Access to Care
 - f. Flexibility with the Three Hour Rule for IRFs (formerly H.R. 626)
 - g. Elevate Rhetoric Concerning Restricting Access to Rehabilitation Therapy Services in All Settings of Care

2. Protect Integrity of Essential Health Benefits (EHB) Package
 - a. Strengthening EHB and Insurance Protections through House ACA Legislation
 - b. Monitor HHS for Future Regulation on Rehabilitation Services and Devices
 - c. Respond to MA Call Letter and Letter to Issuers of ACA Plans

3. Access to Rehabilitation in Managed Care Including Medicare Advantage Plans
 - a. Continue to Press for an Exceptions Process for Therapy Limits or Caps in Private Plans and MA Plans

4. Respond to Future Regulations
 - a. IRF PPS Proposed Rule
 - b. SNF PPS Proposed Rule
 - c. HHA PPS Proposed Rule

5. Preserve Access to Rehabilitation in Medicaid Programs
 - a. Elimination of Therapy Caps in Medicaid Plans

6. Rehabilitation and Disability Research
 - a. Government-Wide Strategic Plan (ICDR)
 - b. NIDILRR Long Range Plan

Monitor & Support

1. Jimmo Settlement and Implementation
2. Cardiac Outpatient Rehabilitation Therapy
3. Remote Outpatient Rehabilitation Therapy in Rural Areas (Cardiac and Stroke)