

J-K Regulatory & Legislative Update

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Disclosures

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What's Going On?

- HR955, S1849
- HR1406, S3021
- RAC Audits
- History, present state and future of the MAC TF.

HR955, S1849

- Sustaining Outpatient Services Act of 2024.
- Exempts services reimbursed <2 million aggregate, annually from sec. 603 0f the BBA of 2015.
- So far CR/PR only services known of in that category.
- Currently if service is off site, reimbursed roughly 50% of those on
on
- hospital campus.
- Not sustainable, 10 programs in MA have closed past 2 years.
- HR955-21 co-sponsors, S1849-1. 0 from CT.
- Why so much apathy?

HR1406, S3021

- Sustainable Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation Services in the Home Act.
- Reimbursement for direct supervision via 2 way audio visual tech.
- Likely to be attached to a larger health care vehicle (bill) before summer recess. Stay tuned.
- HR1406-61 co-sponsors, 0 from CT. S3021-4, 1 CT-Blumenthal.

RAC Audits

- Initially deluged with audits & "take back" .
- Most that appealed, won since auditors not following guidelines given by CMS.
- Have slowed down, but 1 hospital in MA , though they have won every appeal, is having a 3rd audit, currently.
- What's happening in CT?
- My advice: Appeal, Appeal, Appeal. (My tribute to Murray).

MAC TF

- Created in 2016 out of the HPP Committee to better deal with the rapidly changing reimbursement and political landscape.
- Pretty effective in driving legislation, advising local MAC groups and disseminating info- a testament to Karen Lui's drive and dedication.
- AACVPR Board of directors is entertaining a proposal to for a new Government Affairs Committee to oversee newly hired advocacy firm: Hart Health Strategies which has a large team with different areas of expertise.
- Email for all leg. & reimbursement inquiries: advocacy@aacvpr.org
- Unsure of how MAC TF will be utilized or fit in

Questions????????

Comments!!!!!!!!!!

Thank You