Goals of the Center for Post-Acute Care

- Foster communication and collaboration among and between member PAC provider groups
- Represent and support hospital-based post-acute providers
- Serve in an advisory capacity to the CHA Board of Trustees
How does the Center do its Job?

- Monitor issues and events at both state and federal levels
- Inform members and solicit input via CHA News, forums, webinars, collaboration with other stakeholders
- Advocate on behalf of members through formal comments, legislative advocacy, and direct communications

CHA PAC Membership

- Includes up to 24 members, representative of CHA member hospitals
- Includes all post-acute provider groups
- Chair and Chair-elect serve on CHA Board of Trustees
Center Provider Forums
- Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities & Therapy Services
- Skilled Nursing Facilities & Subacute Care Units
- Home Health Agencies and Hospices
- Long Term Acute Care Hospitals

2017 Review – IMPACT Act Implementation
- QRP measure design and implementation
- Ongoing implementation via PPS Rules
- MedPAC research on unified PAC PPS
- Resource webpage

2017 Review – PPS Rules
In addition to payment and QRP changes, PPS rules included significant policy changes:
- SNF – future changes to case mix/RUG calculation
- HH – changes to case mix/case rate calculation (delayed)
- LTCH – changes to co-location criteria
- IRF – coding for 60% rule compliance
2017 Review – State Legislation

- Negotiated amendments to manage impact of new laws on hospital-based SNFs
- Sponsored legislation on medical decision-making for unrepresented adults lacking capacity (in process)

2017 Review – Issue Advocacy

- MAC IRF audits re: use of group/concurrent therapy
- Requirements for suppliers of prosthetic and orthotics supplies
- Timely access to DME
- Implementation of AB 940 – notification of SNF discharge to LTC Ombudsman

2018 Outlook – Federal Health Care Reform

- Continued implementation of the IMPACT Act
- Continued changes to reimbursement rate and methodology
- Ongoing changes to setting-specific regulations
- Continued evolution of acute and post-acute payment systems, including unified PAC PPS
2018 Outlook – Emerging Issues

Many issues challenging our hospitals and health system have significant implications for PAC services
• Discharge of homeless individuals
• Delayed discharge/excess hospital stays
• Behavioral health
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2018 Outlook – Resources

The Center for Post-Acute Care has developed educational resources to provide hospital/health system leadership with comprehensive information on the role and value of PAC in delivery system reform, financial implications for hospitals, and associated strategies for partnership and integration.

Get Involved! Tell your story!

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• Sign up for CHA News and List-Servs
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Questions?

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