



Weekly Roundup

...Reporting the state and national long term care news

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Friday, March 9, 2012

ANHA NEWS

Registration Open for Mid-Year Convention

Registration is now open for the 2012 ANHA Mid-Year Convention. This event features national and state speakers leading seminars on timely topics of importance to all nursing home staff. *See the attached brochure and registration form for more information about the education offerings and CEUs.*

To better accommodate facilities preparing for National Nursing Home Week (NNHW), this year's convention will be held April 30-May 3. The earlier date allows for a week between the end of the convention and the start of NNHW on Mother's Day, May 13.

Reserve Your Hotel Room for the Mid-Year Convention

You may now reserve your room at The Perdido Beach Resort for the 2012 ANHA Mid-Year Convention. Reservations can be made online at www.perdidobeachresort.com or by calling 1-800-634-8001. Remember to use ANHA group code number 6870. To ensure availability of rooms, all participants are encouraged to make overnight reservations by April 3, 2012.

The following rates have been negotiated for the 2012 Mid-Year Convention Attendees:

- \$169 per Standard/Double Room
- \$229 per Gulf Front Single/Double Room

NEW – MDS 3.0 Seminar – Are You Ready for April 1st? – **MONDAY, March 26th**

Please mark your calendars for Monday, March 26th as ANHA presents the latest updates to the MDS 3.0 as well as survey forms and other information that are slated to go into effect on April 1st. This seminar will be held at The Wynfrey Hotel in Birmingham. We are planning on having a morning session and an afternoon session. Both sessions will contain the same information. This will allow for more individuals to attend. ANHA representatives did attend the recent CMS training where new information was discussed. *We anticipate sending a flyer and details about the seminar out in a special mailing early next week.*

Beware! CMS is Considering Making Clarifications on PPS and MDS Coding that Greatly Impacts Payment Beginning April 1st!

Last week, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) provided many clarifications regarding PPS and MDS coding. One particular issue, which got much debate, surrounded the accuracy of the ARD on the PPS MDS. CMS was bombarded with questions from providers that focused on correcting an inaccurate ARD. The outcome at the end of the conference is that **ARD compliance is critical** to providers ensuring accurate reimbursement for PPS claims. Please note that when an ARD is inaccurately coded the facility is at risk for default days or even dreaded **Provider Liable Days**. More information will be forth coming as soon as a definitive decision is made from CMS. In the meantime, all facilities are strongly encouraged to put systems in place to ensure accurate coding of the MDS. This issue will be discussed at the seminar slated for March 26th.

“OSHA – Emphasis on Long Term Care” Educational Seminar: **MONDAY, March 19**

Please mark your calendars for March 19, 2012, as ANHA will present a seminar entitled “OSHA – Emphasis on Long Term Care.” **ANHA has confirmed that we will have an OSHA Compliance Assistance Specialist at the seminar to help answer questions!** This seminar will be held at The Wynfrey Hotel in Birmingham. The seminar will begin at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 3:00 p.m. This seminar has been approved for 5 hours of continuing education for nursing home administrators. *Please see the attached flyer for more information.*

AIT/Preceptor Certification & Recertification Training Seminar – **TUESDAY, March 20**

The “AIT/Preceptor Certification and Recertification Training” Seminar will be presented on March 20, 2012, at The Wynfrey Hotel in Birmingham. All individuals interested in becoming a licensed nursing home administrator must complete a board approved Administrator-In-Training (AIT) Program. The Board has rules and regulations regarding entry-level requirements for nursing home administrators, the length of the AIT program for applicants and the qualifications for becoming a certified preceptor. This session is designed to certify licensed nursing home administrators who are interested in conducting an AIT program in their facility as preceptors.

In order to qualify to become a certified preceptor, individuals must have been a licensed and practicing administrator in Alabama for at least three years, or have been a licensed nursing home administrator for at least two years in another state and have been licensed and practicing in Alabama for at least one year, with no disciplinary action having been taken against them in the last three years. Preceptor certification and re-certification, once approved, lasts for three years. This seminar has been approved for 3 hours of CEUs for nursing home administrators. Please note the correction on the time of the seminar. The seminar begins at **8:30 a.m. and NOT 1:30 p.m.** *Please see the attached flyer for more details.*

“Caring for the Young Adult Population” Educational Seminar - April 18

Please mark your calendars for April 18, 2012, as ANHA will present a seminar entitled “Caring for the Young Adult Population.” This seminar will be held at The Wynfrey Hotel in Birmingham. The seminar will begin at 8:30 a.m. and conclude at 4:00 p.m. This program has been approved for 6 hours of continuing education credits by the Alabama Board of Examiners for Nursing Home Administrators, the Alliance for Long Term Care Quality Improvement

(RM112066) and Alabama Board of Social Work Examiners (Provider #0012). It has also been approved for 7.2 contact hours of continuing education for nurses. The Alabama Nursing Home Association is an approved provider by the Alabama Board of Nursing (ABNP0151- expires 3/12/2013). *Please see the attached flyer for more details.*

Call for Nominations: Alabama's Best Practices

Will you share your Best Practice? You are invited to share your knowledge, positive ideas, creativity, and communicate with other professionals as we continue to strive to meet the needs of our long-term care residents. *Attached is the 2012 Alabama's Best Practices "Call for Nominations."* We encourage each of you to look over the nomination form and submit your Best Practice. This year's Best Practices Program is scheduled for Thursday, August 23, 2012. Nominations are due by April 13, 2012.

Deadline for 2012 ANHA Dues: April 2

Monday, April 2 is the deadline for payment of the 2012 ANHA membership dues. Facilities that have not paid their dues in full or have not established a payment plan may be dropped from the membership. Please contact Pat Williams at the Association Office at (334) 271-6214 or pwilliams@anha.org if you have any questions or want to set up a payment plan.

NATIONAL NEWS

CMS Revises Traditional Survey Forms 802 and 672: **Draft Forms Released – **Changes Still Expected!****

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Division of Nursing Homes is changing the nursing home Traditional Survey forms that nursing home providers fill out for each survey, the 802 and the 672, to correspond to the new MDS 3.0 fields. CMS sent **draft** final versions to companies identified by the CMS Division of National Systems that provide IT services to nursing homes so that these companies would have sufficient time to do the necessary programming of the worksheet versions of the 802 and 672 to assist nursing homes to produce these forms for surveyors. CMS expects the MDS database to open up the Quality Measure Reports for survey team use in April. At that time, the survey process will change to use these revised MDS 3.0 Reports and to use the revised versions of the 802 and 672. *There are no changes in the actual 672 form, but its instructions have changed to match MDS 3.0. The 802 form has changed significantly as have its instructions for providers. The draft final versions of these forms and their instructions are currently going through internal CMS clearance for issuance in the near future. The **DRAFT** forms are attached for your review. Please do not begin to use these forms until instructed to do so! We understand that some items are still being discussed. We feel that it is important to let you know changes are coming with these forms and their instructions. This issue will be discussed at the MDS 3.0 seminar slated for March 26th.*

Updated Information Posted to MDS 3.0 Technical Information Website

On March 2, 2012, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) posted an update on MDS 3.0 regarding an updated errata document for the data submission specifications for MDS 3.0. This document includes two new issues for V1.10.1 of the specs that will be implemented on April 1, 2012. In addition, MDS 3.0 QM Users Manual has been posted. *For more information*

please visit:

https://www.cms.gov/NursingHomeQualityInits/30_NHQIMDS30TechnicalInformation.asp

OIG Posts Video on Exclusions Database

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) continues to post provider compliance training video and audio presentations on top health care compliance topics, and has just recently posted a video on OIG's Exclusions Database, *List of Excluded Individuals and Entities* (LEIE), which is a comprehensive list of individuals and entities prohibited from participating in the Medicare and Medicaid programs. The video explains how to easily and effectively use the LEIE to avoid liability by determining whether or not an individual or entity has been excluded before employing or contracting with that individual or entity, and by regularly checking the OIG's Exclusions Database. Please visit <http://oig.hhs.gov/newsroom/podcasts/> to see a copy of the video.

AHCA to Conduct 2011 Nursing Facility Staffing Survey

The American Health Care Association (AHCA) understands that improving the quality of long term care depends upon a stable, well-trained workforce. Providing up-to-date, accurate and consistent data about nursing facility staff to policy makers and public is critical for AHCA's advocacy efforts around long term care issues.

AHCA will conduct its seventh nationwide nursing facility staffing survey, which will collect **2011** data that can be used to estimate the retention and turnover rates of nursing facility employees. This survey will be sent to nursing facilities nationwide by the end of January. Nursing facilities can also participate in this survey by downloading survey questionnaire from AHCA website. Results from nursing facility staff survey reports for 2008, 2009 and 2010 can be found at http://www.ahcancal.org/research_data/staffing/Pages/default.aspx.

STATE NEWS

Estate Recovery Letters From HMS Causing Concern

Editor's note: ANHA Associate Member Health Care Compensation Solutions contributed this article.

A number of facilities have contacted ANHA concerning letters both the facility and former sponsors are receiving for residents who are now deceased. In some instances the letters, which originate from Healthcare Management Systems (HMS), are asking sponsor's to provide information about the resident's estate, other letters are sent directly to the nursing home asking for information on patient accounts held at the facility prior to the resident's death and, at times, the current name and address of the sponsor. A recent contact with the Alabama Medicaid Agency by Health Care Compensation Solutions confirms that Healthcare Management Systems does have a contract with the Alabama Medicaid Agency to pursue estate recovery for deceased Medicaid recipients. Facilities should encourage sponsors to complete and return the forms received from HMS and to complete and return any requests sent from HMS to the facility. Alabama Medicaid states that facilities should not have privacy concerns in regard to providing this requested information to HMS, as HMS is a company operating under contract with the Alabama Medicaid Agency.

During conversations with Medicaid in regard to the estate recovery issue, it was brought to our attention that the Agency will soon be amending its contract with HMS to expand their services to claims review. HMS will be reviewing claims submitted by providers to identify errors and recover misspent dollars. Nursing homes are included in the providers who will be subject to review. One of the specific things mentioned during our conversation with Alabama Medicaid, was the effort on the part of HMS to identify credit balances at nursing homes. We do not presently know if HMS, once it identifies a credit balance, will simply recover the credit balance, or if they will attempt to recover all benefits paid on behalf of the resident during the ENTIRE time the credit balance was on the books (if it caused the resident to exceed the Medicaid resource limit). We will monitor this situation and will provide you with information as it becomes available.

Currently the Medicaid website contains no provider notices which informed nursing homes of the contract with HMS for estate recovery services. Medicaid has been encouraged to issue a provider notice regarding the addition of claims review to their contract with HMS, but we have not, to date, received confirmation that they will do so. As you will note, it is now more important than ever that facilities identify and deal with credit balances in a very prompt manner. Please let ANHA know if those of you who receive notifications of recoupments due to claims review actions by HMS.

Medicaid Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)

The Alabama Medicaid Agency has initiated a new program called the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE). The PACE program operates as a capitated managed care benefit that features a comprehensive medical and social service delivery system using an interdisciplinary team approach in an adult day health center that is supplemented by in-home and referral services in accordance with the needs of the participant.

Enrolled participants must receive all of their services through the PACE Organization. PACE services include but are not limited to the following: Primary Care (including doctor and nursing services); Hospital Care; Medical Specialty Services; Prescription Drugs; Dentistry; Nursing Home Care; Personal Care; Physical Therapy; Adult Day Care; Nutritional Counseling; Laboratory/X-ray Services; Social Services; and Transportation.

The program is currently limited to participants in Mobile and Baldwin counties although programs in other locations are expected later this year.

Providers serving Medicaid recipients in these counties need to be aware that PACE participants must receive all services from PACE program-contracted providers. **Claims submitted by non-contract providers will not be paid.**

PACE participants' Medicaid cards have a sticker identifying their affiliation with the program as well as a unique PACE program identification card. PACE participation is also reported through the Agency's AVRS eligibility verification system.

Individuals enrolling in the PACE program must meet each of the following criteria:

- meet the nursing home level of care
- are able to live safely in the community at the time of enrollment
- be 55 years of age and older
- live in a designated PACE service area, currently Mobile and Baldwin counties

PACE participants may be Medicaid-only, Medicare-only, Medicaid and Medicare (dually eligible), or private pay.

For questions or concerns regarding the PACE program, please contact Linda Lackey at (334) 242-5644, or Jan Sticka at (334) 353-4151 or go to the Agency's website at www.medicaid.alabama.gov under Programs/Long Term Care.

OBRA Screening Reminders: Two Things Every Nursing Home Should Know

Editor's note: Angela Howard, Director of the OBRA PASRR office at the Alabama Dept. of Mental Health, contributed this article.

1. What is the Number One PASRR Violation?

Do you know what the number one PASRR violation is? I'll give you a clue; it involves tracking residents who have diagnoses of mental illnesses, intellectual disabilities and related conditions. Unfortunately, we have discovered that approximately one-third of Medicaid Certified Nursing Homes do not regularly comply with the requirement of submitting the Level II Monthly Report Form or a Status Notification to the OBRA Screening Office by the tenth of every month. This is the most common PASRR violation. The most frequent reason given for this violation has been "employee turnover." A number of administrators communicated that when the professional responsible for completing the Level II Report and Status Notification left their facility, this requirement was regrettably overlooked. If your facility has a high turnover rate, please implement measures to ensure that this responsibility is transferred and performed monthly. As you are aware, this is a regulatory requirement per 42 CFR 483.130. The OBRA Screening Office must maintain a tracking system for all individuals with diagnoses of mental illnesses, intellectual disabilities and related conditions.

As we go forward, please be advised that you are required to submit a Level II Report by the tenth of **every** month. Also, a Status Notification is required by the tenth of the month if there have been no changes. A notification includes a contact person's name, the facility name and telephone number. It also includes the message, "LEVEL II REPORT, NO CHANGES." If we do not receive a Level II Report or a Notification by the tenth of every month, your non-compliance will be documented and forwarded to the Medicaid Agency. If you have questions about this process, please contact Carolyn Perdue or Deborah Goodman at 1-800-548-2188.

2. Ensure Your PASRR Documentation is Certified

As you can imagine, making accurate PASRR determinations regarding the health and safety of individuals is incredibly important. For that reason, before we can safely make these types of determinations, we must be certain that the documentation we utilize is certified by a licensed physician. Beginning April 1, 2012, the OBRA PASRR Program will be unable to process cases where documentation is not certified by a physician's signature and date. Documentation used to determine PASRR eligibility includes history and physical examinations, discharge summaries, physician's notes, etc. Please keep in mind, the documentation should be signed and dated **prior** to the Level I submission to prevent delays in nursing home admissions. Documentation **must** be

authenticated by a physician before a Level II Evaluation/Determination is completed and eligibility is determined.

New Confidential Fax Number for State Ombudsman

The Office of the State Long Term Care Ombudsman at the Alabama Dept. of Senior Services now has a dedicated fax number to ensure confidentiality. The fax number is (334) 353-1596. If you have questions, please contact the State LTC Ombudsman Virginia Bell at (334) 242-5743 or virginia.bell@adss.alabama.gov.

The Alabama Board of Nursing – Immigration Law Impact

Concerns have arisen over the interpretation of the Immigration Law on regulatory Boards. The Alabama Board of Nursing has sent a letter to Alabama elected leadership. Under the immigration law it may be necessary that beginning with new licensees the Board of Nursing will be required to match documents proving citizenship with their online applications. If this is the case, we can expect a delay in new graduates being licensed and available for the work force. ANHA will keep you posted as soon as more information is obtained regarding this issue.

The Alabama Board of Nursing – Standardized Procedures

The 2012 Annual Report of Standardized Procedures Report reflecting care provided in 2011 is now available online. As with previous reports, the 2012 report requires the CNO to update the report submitted for 2011 with edits, deletions or additions, thus decreasing the time factor for completion. **New** for 2012 is the verification of mailing and physical addresses of the facility/agency/company.

NOTE: If your facility/agency/company is part of a larger corporation, please contact your Corporate Nurse before proceeding. The Corporate Nurse may be completing one report for all facilities/agencies or companies within your corporation.

*As in 2011, facilities classified as Rural Health Clinics, FQHCs, Assisted Living and Specialty Care Assisted Living facilities are **NOT** required to report.*

To access the 2012 report, go to the ABN website (www.abn.alabama.gov); from the title bar or top menu, select **Nursing Practice**; select **Standardized Procedures**. Then click on the **2012 Standardized Procedures** link from the menu on the LEFT side of the page. The **deadline** for the 2012 Annual Report of Standardized Procedures for Hospitals, Nursing Homes, Ambulatory Surgery Centers, Home Health, Hospice, ESRDs, Medical Transport Companies, Abortion Centers, Infusion Companies and the State Correctional facilities is **April 16, 2012**. Please contact Carolyn Morgan for any questions at carolyn.morgan@abn.state.al.us or 334/293-5200.

Nurse Aide Abuse Registry

Please note that the following individual has been placed on the Alabama Nurse Aide Abuse and/or Sanction Registry. This individual is prohibited from working in any long-term care facility. To check nurse aides, you can use the nurse aide web site at www.adph.org (Click on Contents A-Z - located in the dark blue at the top of the screen - then Click on Nurse Aide Registry - then Click in the white box and type in the Social Security Number of the person you are trying to find. Be sure and include the dashes in the SSN.)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Patricia Ozbirn	2/28/2012

FACILITY NEWS

Park Manor Earns Deficiency Free Survey

Park Manor Health & Rehab recently earned a deficiency free health survey! Brett Milligan is the Administrator and Tiesha Brown is the Director of Nursing. The facility is located in Northport and is owned by NHS Management. Congratulations to the staff of Park Manor Health & Rehab on this outstanding accomplishment!

Long Term Care Administrator's Week is March 12-16

Long Term Care Administrator's Week is March 12-16. This is a great time to tell Administrators how much you appreciate them. For more information on this event, visit <http://www.achca.org/index.php/component/content/article/53-events/79-long-term-care-administrators-week>.

Products Available for National Nursing Home Week

**Celebrating
the Journey**
National Nursing Home Week®
May 13 – May 19, 2012

Promotional products for National Nursing Home Week (NNHW) are now available from the American Health Care Association (AHCA). AHCA has a variety of items to help you promote the festivities that you have planned and to celebrate with staff, residents and visitors.

To order products, view the *attached product information sheet*, call 800-321-0343 or visit <http://www.ahcapublications.org/SearchResults.asp?Cat=57>. Remember that quantities are limited and it is best to order early. Jones Sportswear is offering NNHW t-shirts. *Please see the attached flyer from Jones Sportswear for more information.* NNHW begins on Mother's Day, May 13 and lasts until May 19.

OTHER NEWS

Pioneer Network Offers MDS 3.0 Webinars

The Pioneer Network has announced a second set of MDS 3.0 webinars. The webinars, part of the National Learning Collaborative project, are designed to put in place the organizational culture changes necessary to integrate MDS 3.0 into daily care and to help nursing centers individualize patient care. Practitioners will discuss how to use an interdisciplinary approach to assessment and care planning to achieve better outcomes. The upcoming webinars are \$99.00 per session and include:

- Individualizing Dining: New Practice Standards, March 22 at 1:00 p.m. CT
- Smooth Transitions in Care: Getting New Residents Off to a Good Start, April 19 at 1:00 p.m. CT

For more information about the webinars and to register, go to:
http://www.pioneernetwork.net/Events/Webinars/MDS30_456/.

AHCA Webinar: Seven Steps for Improving Resident Satisfaction

The American Health Care Association is providing a new webinar to help members meet the Quality Initiative goals. In the “7 Tips for Improving Resident Satisfaction” session from 1:00-2:30 p.m. CT on April 11, participants will discuss national trends in customer satisfaction for long term and senior care. Pinnacle Quality Insight presenters Chris Magleby, COO, and Stan Magleby, CEO, will use data collected from hundreds of thousands of customer satisfaction interviews to show small steps that can yield large returns to the bottom line. For more information and to register, visit <http://webinars.ahcancal.org/session.php?id=8504>.

Advancing Excellence Selects New Goals

The Advancing Excellence in America’s Nursing Homes Collaborative has announced that it will be updating and adding to the Campaign’s goals and objectives for 2012.

The Board approved nine goals (four existing goals and five new goals). The four existing goals that will continue in 2012 are: reducing pressure ulcers, improving pain management, decreasing staff turnover and increasing the use of consistent assignment. The five new goals are reducing hospitalization safely, improving the appropriate use of medications particularly antipsychotic drugs, preventing infections, increasing resident mobility and increasing the use of person-centered care planning and decision making. Materials related to the newly added or revised goals will be posted on the Campaign website as they are developed. The materials will include national targets for improvement, data gathering tools and technical assistance resources free of charge for all nursing homes to use.

The Campaign, which is the largest, nationwide, voluntary quality improvement effort in nursing homes, has more than half of all nursing homes in the nation registered. Participating nursing homes choose three of nine goals to work on and set targets for improvement. The Campaign provides robust website (www.nhqualitycampaign.org) resources and technical assistance to help the nursing home. Campaign history shows that nursing homes that register for the campaign and select a goal improve faster than other nursing homes.

The new Campaign goals will be rolled out to the 52 statewide Local Area Networks of Excellence (LANEs) throughout 2012. The website will be updated regularly with practical resources to help nursing homes achieve their goals and improve the lives of the residents they serve.

The Campaign has had a remarkably successful history. Started in 2006 as a two-year initiative, the Campaign formed a nonprofit corporation in 2010 and plans to continue its national efforts to make nursing homes better places to live, work, and visit. Today, more than 8,000 nursing homes have registered for the campaign.

AHCA Unveils New Quality Initiative

The American Health Care Association’s (AHCA) leadership has announced a progressive, new Quality Initiative. Focused on improving quality care in long term and post-acute care centers across the nation, the Quality Initiative has four main pillars of quality improvement: hospital readmissions, staff stability, off-label use of antipsychotics and customer satisfaction. In each of

these main areas, AHCA has developed specific, measurable goals that are designed to encourage facilities to foster sustainable change in the best interest of residents and their families. AHCA is challenging its membership to hold itself accountable to these changes, thus creating both short- and long-term benefits for customers, employees and the long term care community at-large. For more information about the AHCA Quality Initiative, its goals, and tools to help members reach targets, visit the Quality Initiative website at qualityinitiative.ahcancal.org.

AMDA Clinical Practice Guideline: Common Infections (Revised 2011) The American Medical Directors Association released last year Clinical Practice Guidelines on Common Infections. Infections are a significant source of illness and death in the long term care setting. It is estimated that between 1.6 and 3.8 million infections occur annually among patients in LTC facilities. Infections account for up to half of all transfers from LTC facilities to hospitals and result in an estimated 150,000 to 300,000 hospital admissions annually. Numerous studies indicate that pneumonia, urinary tract infections, and skin and soft-tissue infections account for nearly 75% of all infections acquired in the LTC setting. This guideline focuses on management of the four most common types of infections occurring in long term care - urinary tract, respiratory, gastrointestinal and skin infections. The guideline also discusses infection control, colonization versus true infection and antibiotic resistance in LTC facilities. For more information about this and other AMDA Clinical Practice Guidelines please visit the AMDA website at http://amda.networkats.com/members_online/members/createorder.asp.

AQAF Accepting Nominations for Sherrill Award

AQAF is now accepting nominations for the 2012 Robert G. Sherrill Jr., M.D. Quality Award. The award recognizes an Alabama health care leader who is a champion of quality. It's named in honor of Dr. Robert G. Sherrill, Jr., one AQAF's founders who served as both medical director and CEO.

Past recipients include Rosemary Blackmon, executive vice president, Alabama Hospital Association; Jeff Haddox, founder and CEO of Sight Savers America, Keith Granger, CEO of Trinity Medical Center, and Dr. Richard Allman, director of the Birmingham/Atlanta VA Geriatric Research, Education and Clinical Center (GRECC) and the Center for Aging at UAB.

To nominate an individual for the Sherrill Award send an email with the nominee's name and qualifications, along with any support material you believe should be considered, to Michael Jones at mjones@aqaf.com. The deadline for nominations is April 1, 2012.

SAVE THE DATE: EDUCATIONAL SEMINARS

"10th Annual Nurse Educational Symposium" - June 20

Please mark your calendars for June 20, 2012, as ANHA will present a seminar entitled "10th Annual Nurse Educational Symposium." This symposium will be held at The Wynfrey Hotel in Birmingham. *More information regarding this seminar will be forthcoming.*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u><i>Date</i></u>	<u><i>Event</i></u>	<u><i>Location</i></u>	<u><i>Time</i></u>
March 9	ANHA Region IV ACT/SS Auxiliary Meeting RSVP: Brittney Denny (256) 362-4197 Guest Speaker Topic: Senior Dental Care Program	Western Sizzlin Oxford	12:00 p.m.
March 14	ANHA Facility Standards Meeting	ANHA Offices Montgomery	2:00 p.m.
March 15	ANHA Executive Board Meeting	ANHA Offices Montgomery	10:00 a.m.
March 20	ANHA Region III ACT/SS Auxiliary Meeting RSVP: Angela Beckwood (205) 796-0214 Guest Speaker & CEUs will be offered	Cherry Hill HealthCare Birmingham	1:30 p.m.
March 23	ANHA Region IX ACT/SS Auxiliary Meeting RSVP: Debra Dixon (205) 932-1173 Guest Speaker Topic: Dementia	Fayette Medical Center LTC Fayette	1:00 p.m.
March 27	ANHA Region V Meeting RSVP: Eldridge Stewart (334) 682-4231 or estewart@frontiernet.net Guest Speaker Topic: Senior Dental Care Program	Golden Ranch Restaurant Selma	12:00 p.m.
March 28	ANHA Region IX Meeting RSVP: Irma Taylor (205) 391-3600 or Irma.Taylor@northporthealth.com Guest Speaker Topic: Senior Dental Care Program	Cypress Inn Tuscaloosa	12:00 p.m.
April 3	ANHA Region VIII Meeting RSVP: Sal.Lee Sasser-Williams (334) 222-2133 or sallee@andalusiamanor.org Guest Speaker Topic: Senior Dental Care Program	Extendicare Health & Rehab Dothan	1:30 p.m.

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AL Dept. of Public Health <http://www.adph.org>
CMS <http://cms.gov>