



# Medication Management: What are 5 things we can do better?

## DESCRIPTION

Good medication management is essential to keeping patients safe, improving quality measures and reducing hospitalizations related to adverse drug events. This presentation will discuss how compliance with highlighted sections of the CMS Final Rule to Reform the Requirements for Long-Term Care Facilities can help meet these goals. This presentation will identify 5 areas where we can improve medication management using evidence-based best practice and regulatory guidance. These areas of constant and/or future survey focus include improved treatment of BPSD (behavioral and psychological symptoms of dementia), appropriate antibiotic use, effective diabetes management, safer care transitions and reduction of unnecessary medications.

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

1. Review the parts of the CMS final rule “aka mega rule” that require you to collaborate with your pharmacy to ensure compliance.
2. Discuss best practice guidance from the Choosing Wisely Campaign to improve medication management.
3. Describe 5 areas of intervention that can be made to improve regulatory compliance and patient safety around medications