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Axxess Announces Continuing Education Series to Help Prepare Home Health Agency Clinicians for OASIS-C1

OASIS-C1 and ASAP System Implementations Take Effect January 1

DALLAS (Nov. 20, 2014) – Axxess, an industry leader in home health management software and the only software vendor accredited by the American Nursing Credentialing Center, announces a series of web-based and in-person training sessions to help home health agencies transition to the new Outcome and Assessment Information Set (version OASIS-C1) and new national OASIS Assessment Submission and Processing (ASAP) system for Medicare claims, effective January 1, 2015.

Earlier this year, the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 postponed the adoption of ICD-10 until at least October 1, 2015. In response to this legislative delay, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) made changes to the new OASIS-C1 data set which contained questions that accommodated the new, expanded ICD-10 codes. CMS is also requiring that agencies transition from state OASIS systems to the national OASIS Assessment Submission and Processing (ASAP) system. Both remain effective on January 1, 2015.

"These new requirements profoundly impact home health agency owners and their staff," said John Olajide, CEO of Axxess. "To help ensure a smooth operational transition and reduce the risk of penalties associated with noncompliance, Axxess is offering practical, authoritative education as well as comprehensive, integrated software solutions."

Training options include both convenient two-hour webinars [online] at no cost and in-person one-day seminars at major U.S. locations. Both will cover the following topics with the in-person seminars providing more in-depth information:

- Details of OASIS-C1, including key changes
- The full CMS OASIS-C1 implementation plan
- Developing an agency OASIS-C1 implementation plan
- New Assessment Submission and Processing (ASAP) system
- New grouper updates
- All updated OASIS-C1 items

Webinars **"OASIS-C1" ([Register online](.).):**

- November 26, 2014
- December 2, 2014
- December 10, 2014
- December 17, 2014
- December 30, 2014

Seminars **"OASIS-C1 is Here. Are You Ready?" ([Register online](.).):**

- December 16, 2014 – Tampa Bay, FL
- January 7, 2015 – Houston, TX
- January 9, 2015 – Dallas, TX
- January 13, 2015 – Ontario, CA
- January 15, 2015 – Los Angeles, CA
- January 20, 2015 – McAllen, TX
- January 22, 2015 – San Antonio, TX
- January 29, 2015 – Skokie, IL

The seminars and webinars are led by **Jennifer Gibson;** RN, HCS-D ICD-9-CM, HCS-D ICD-10-CM, COS-C of Axxess; who has over 20 years of home health industry experience. She is a certified OASIS and Coding Specialist. Gibson regularly trains on ICD-9 and ICD-10 coding. She has held several leadership roles in the administration of home health agencies and as a Director of Nursing. Gibson consults widely for home health agencies nationwide and is a sought after contributor to industry blogs and publications. She is committed to the success of the home care industry and currently serves on several committees for the National Alliance for Home Health Quality and Innovation (AHHQI) as well as the Texas Association for Home Care and Hospice. Gibson has a passion for teaching and supporting others in the home care industry.

About Axxess

Dallas-based [Axxess](.) is a leading health care software company that provides cloud-based software to the home health care industry. Axxess comprehensive and user-friendly software solutions empower home health agencies and improve their efficiency by integrating all aspects of their operations so they can focus their attention on what matters most: patient care. Axxess' innovative software solutions, which put all care and administrative aspects of a home health care agency at the fingertips of providers and managers, have propelled Axxess to quickly become the industry's fastest growing home health software company. Axxess is the only home health software provider accredited by the ANCC

(American Nurses Credentialing Center) and is a member of HL7 (Health Level Seven International, the global authority on standards for interoperability of health information technology). Axxess is a member of the Alliance for Home Health Quality and Innovation (AHHQI), the National Association for Home Care and Hospice (NAHC), and major state associations nationwide. For more information, visit www.axxess.com.

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