

From: Carpenter, Tom (ELS-ATL) <T.Carpenter@elsevier.com>
To: Kester, Tonykester@aging.sc.gov
Date: 10/30/2015 12:25:37 PM
Subject: CMS' HCBS regulations



Many states perceive, and provider agencies too, that the personal assistants and home care providers who work with **older adults and people with physical disabilities** living at home require little or no training. Data coming in about improved outcomes refutes that notion.

CMS is engaged in an ongoing effort to improve quality expectations for providers of Home and Community Based Services. New HCBS regulatory standards were issued March, 2015. State departments of aging services are realizing the need for competency requirements that go beyond simple compliance in order to positively affect outcomes of their older citizens.

The *College of Personal Assistance & Caregiving* online curriculum (**CPAC**), used in several states, delivers the evidence based knowledge to meet and exceed CMS' standards. If you are searching for a way to dramatically and economically improve HCBS outcomes visit <http://directcourseonline.com/assistance-caregiving/>

If your state is considering managed care, the skills and competencies taught in the **CPAC** curriculum are of keen interest to MCOs as well.

If you would like to see a .pdf of the **46 hour personal assistant curriculum**, or, to receive **published research** studies, reply to me and I will email your request.

Regards

Tom Carpenter
Product Manager, DirectCourse

College of Personal Assistance & Caregiving
College of Recovery & Community Inclusion
College of Employment Services
t.carpenter@elsevier.com
t 1+865-693-4008

ELSEVIER

Elsevier, Inc.
111 Center Park Drive
Suite 175
Knoxville, TN 37922 USA

www.directcourseonline.com