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### Meeting Coverage

#### JANUARY

**CMS Update:** Initiatives in Long Term Care Reform  
**Mentoring:** Succession Planning for the DON, LPN, NA and NP.  
**Drug Reconciliation:** Addressing Medication Issues Throughout the Care Process.  
**CPT Update:** A Look at New CPT Codes and Medicare/Medicaid Documentation Requirements for 2008.

#### FEBRUARY

**Hip Fractures:** Revisiting the Use of the External Hip Protector.  
**Oncology:** Managing LTC Patients During and After Chemotherapy.  
**Dysphagia:** Best Practices for Preventing Aspiration.  
**Heart Failure:** Managing the Transition from Acute to Long Term Care.  
**Legal Issues:** Risk Reduction and Lawsuit Prevention.

#### MARCH

**Exercise:** Matching Activities With Functional Tasks.  
**Neurologic Disease:** Multiple Sclerosis and Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis.  
**Diabetes:** Averting Diabetic Foot Ulcers and Other Sequelae.  
**Preventive Medicine:** Appropriate Measures for the Frail Elder.

#### APRIL

**Mental Illness:** Detection and Management of Mental Disorders in Assisted Living Facilities.  
**Falls and Fractures:** Risk Factors for Fragility Fractures.  
**Palliative Care:** Clinical Approaches at the End-of Life.  
**Stroke:** Poststroke Management in the LTC Setting.  
**Legal Issues:** State Trends in Liability and Tort Reform.

#### MAY

**AMDA Symposium 2008:** Coverage of the Annual Symposium of the American Medical Directors Association.  
**Insomnia and Sleep Disorders:** Adapting Cognitive and Behavioral Approaches for Use in LTC.  
**Wound Care:** Innovations in Wound Treatment.

#### JUNE

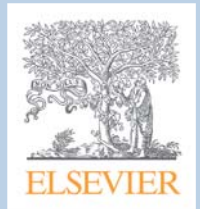
**AMDA Symposium 2008:** Coverage of the Annual Symposium of the American Medical Directors Association.  
**Malnutrition, Part I:** The Initial Nutritional Assessment and Factors That Contribute to Malnutrition.  
**Legal Issues:** Improving Resident Protection.

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#### JULY

**American Geriatrics Society:** Coverage of the AGS Annual Scientific Meeting.  
**Malnutrition Part II:** The Clinical Sequelae of Nutritional Deficits.  
**Urinary Tract Infections:** Managing UTIs in the Nursing Home.

#### AUGUST

**Ethics:** Nutrition and Hydration at the End of Life.  
**Dermatologic Disorders:** Common Skin Diseases in the Nursing Home Resident.  
**Osteoporosis:** Does Treatment Prevent Fractures in the Nursing Home?

#### SEPTEMBER

**Alzheimer's Disease:** Coverage of the International Conference on Alzheimer's Disease.  
**Pain:** New Techniques Assist Pain Management  
**Nursing Home Surveys:** Understanding What Regulators Look for at the Nursing Home.  
**Influenza:** Outlook for the Upcoming Flu Season.

#### OCTOBER

**Advanced Care:** Coverage of AMDA's Advanced Care Course for Medical Directors.  
**The Deaf Patient:** Improving Communication and Quality of Life in the Nursing Home.  
**Infection Control:** Models for Tracking Monthly Incidence Rates and Antibiotic Utilization.  
**Immunization:** Programs to Boost Vaccination Among Staff, Residents and Families.

#### NOVEMBER

**Vitamin D:** The Impact of Supplementation on Nursing Home Residents.  
**Visual Impairment:** Prevention and Treatment of Cataracts, Glaucoma and Macular Degeneration.  
**Lab Tests:** Determining How Frequently to Obtain Laboratory Values in Residents With Stable Disease.

#### DECEMBER

**Depression:** Building Community and Coping Resources for Residents Without Family.  
**Legislative Roundup:** New Laws and Regulations in 2008 That Affect LTC.

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