



# Texas Rehab Providers' Council

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**TXRPC NEWS**

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## **TXRPC BOARD ELECTS OFFICERS**

The Board of Directors of the Greater Texas Rehab Providers' Council convened regular session Wednesday, July 12, 2006 to elect officers for the coming year. President for the 2006-07 term is Tom Hafford. Vice President is Chris Yule, and Secretary/Treasurer is James Garner. Officers begin service immediately and will serve through June of 2007.

## **NEW! - Another "Don't Miss" Part of the Conference**

**Trust Solutions**, the contract agency that reviews your ADMC documents for Palmetto GBA, has agreed to participate in the TXRPC Annual Conference. They will conduct a presentation and Q&A session on Thursday morning, after the TXRPC regular business meeting. Additional information released this week by CMS indicates that Power Mobility Devices that have received ADMC approval have a six-month delivery window instead of the 120 days newly required by CMS. *(Did you notice that your itemized specifications for PMD's must be endorsed by the prescribing physician?)*

## **DON'T MISS THE CONFERENCE**

- **Texas Medicaid (HHSC) and TMHP** will answer your questions. Curious about rate changes, coverage issues, STAR Plans? Be there Wednesday Morning!
- **JCAHO, ACHC, CHAP, HCAA, and The Compliance Group** will ALL participate in a panel discussion of accreditation and the new mandatory Medicare Quality Standards on Thursday afternoon.
- **PAOC Members Cara Bachenheimer, Dave Kayznski, and Rita Hostak** will discuss how competitive bidding for Medicare provider status will affect you in 2007 and 2009. Hear the latest answers to your questions Wednesday afternoon.
- **Credentialing policy proposal** will be ready for your comments. Don't miss the Friday afternoon discussion.
- **MAE, PMD, ADMC... Alphabet soup** will be clarified by Peggy Walker on Friday morning. She will tell you what Medicare audits will expect to find in your medical records when you use the KX modifier, as well as what will happen if the information is not there.
- **Technical Training in Power by Pride, Sunrise, Permobil, and Invacare** takes place Thursday and Friday. Bring your RTS's, earn CEC's, and be ready for the new electronics.

## **CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE REPORT**

The credentialing committee has almost finished its proposal for professional recognition of rehab technology suppliers by Medicaid in Texas. The committee document will be submitted to the membership for comment. At this time, the comment period will continue through August 9. It is the hope of the board that recommendations can be made to HHSC in early September. Your input is essential! Watch the website, your email, and fax machine for notifications. [www.txrpc.org](http://www.txrpc.org)

