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Dear HFS Hospice Clients:

On Friday, August 22nd, 2014, CMS issued Transmittal number 1 to the Provider Cost Reporting Forms and Instructions, Chapter 43, Form CMS-1984-14. Form CMS-1984-14 is the new Hospice Cost Report Form for free-standing Hospice providers effective for cost reporting periods beginning on or after October 1, 2014. HFS has completed the programming of the new form set and has submitted a test case to CMS for approval. We anticipate approval in the near future. Tomorrow's release will include a working beta version of the Form CMS-1984-14 software. This version can be used to review the new form set but cannot be used for filing purposes. Once approved, HFS will make a fully functioning version of the software available to users of the Hospice Form CMS-1984 software.