

**Practicing Physicians Advisory Council  
Hubert H. Humphrey Building  
Room 705A  
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
200 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, DC 20201**

**March 9, 2009**

<b>08:30-08:40</b>	<b>A. Opening Meeting</b>	<b>Vincent J. Bufalino, M.D., Chairman, Practicing Physicians Advisory Council</b>
<b>08:40-08:50</b>	<b>B. Welcome</b>	<b>Liz Richter, Acting Director, Center for Medicare Management</b>  <b>Stewart H. Streimer, Acting Deputy Director, Center for Medicare Management</b>
<b>08:50-09:10</b>	<b>C. PPAC Update</b>	<b>Kenneth Simon, M.D., M.B.A., Executive Director, Practicing Physicians Advisory Council</b>
<b>09:10-09:30</b>	<b>D. PRIT Update</b>	<b>William Rogers, M.D., Director, Physicians Regulatory Issues Team, Office of External Affairs</b>
<b>09:30-10:15</b>	<b>E. Value-based Purchasing</b>	<b>Thomas Valuck, M.D., J.D., Medical Officer and Senior Advisor, Center for Medicare Management</b>
<b>10:15-10:30</b>	<b>F. Break</b>	
<b>10:30-11:15</b>	<b>G. 9<sup>TH</sup> Scope of Work</b>	<b>Jean Moody-Williams, Director, Quality Improvement Group, Office of Clinical Standards and Quality</b>

<b>11:15-12:00</b>	<b>H. RAC Update</b>	<p><b>Lt. Terrence Lew, Health Insurance Specialist, Division of Recovery Audit Operations, Financial Services Group</b></p> <p><b>Commander Marie Casey, R.N., Nurse Consultant, Division of Recovery Audit Operations, Financial Services Group</b></p> <p><b>Amy Reese, Health Insurance Specialist, Division of Recovery Audit Operations, Financial Services Group</b></p>
<b>12:00-1:00</b>	<b>I. Lunch</b>	
<b>1:00-1:45</b>	<b>J. Local Coverage Determination Process</b>	<b>Paula Bonino, M.D., MPE, FACP, Contractor Medical Director, Highmark Medicare Services</b>
<b>1:45-2:30</b>	<b>K. National Coverage Determination Process</b>	<b>Tamara Syrek Jensen, J.D., Deputy Director, Coverage and Analysis Group, Office of Clinical Standards and Quality</b>
<b>2:30- 2:45</b>	<b>L. Break</b>	
<b>2:45- 3:30</b>	<b>M. Medicare Appeals Process</b>	<b>Arrah Tabe-Bedward, Director Division of Appeals Policy, Medicare Enrollment and Appeals Group, Drug and Health Plan Choice</b>
<b>3:30-3:45</b>	<b>N. Testimony</b>	
<b>3:45-4:00</b>	<b>O. Wrap Up/Recommendations</b>	