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O&P Leaders Attend 2nd AOPA Leadership Conference

130 O&P Leaders Gathered in Palm Beach

O&P industry leaders returned from the January 8-10 2nd O&P Leadership Conference in Palm Beach with comments such as "by far, the most valuable event I've had the privilege to attend in my career", "truly a great session", and "extremely helpful". With a lineup including former Senator Bob Kerrey, Political Analyst Charles E. Cook, Jr. and Healthcare Futurist Michael L. Lovdal, PhD, it is no surprise that this event topped the impressive inaugural 2015 event. [Read More.](#)

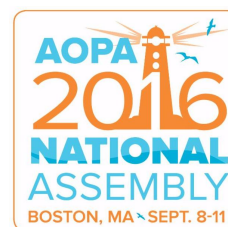


Sen. Kerrey

Present at the AOPA National Assembly in Boston

Call for Papers for the September 8-11, 2016 Meeting

The 2016 Planning Committee is seeking high-quality education presentations for the combined 99th Annual AOPA National Assembly and New England Academy Chapter Meeting to be held September 8-11, 2016 at the Hynes Convention Center in downtown Boston, MA. [Submit your clinical, technical, business, symposia, and student posters.](#)



CMS Issues Final Rule on Prior Authorization for Certain DMEPOS Including Most Lower Limb Prostheses

Not all 135 codes will be subject to prior authorization immediately

On December 29th, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) released the long anticipated final rule regarding Medicare prior authorization of certain DMEPOS, including most lower limb prostheses. The final rule, which was published in the December 30, 2015 Federal Register, will be implemented 60 days after its publication. [Read more here.](#)

Jurisdiction A DME MAC Contract Awarded to Noridian Health Solutions, LLC

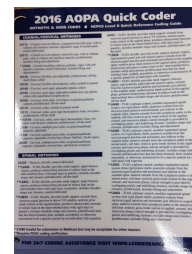
Contract Likely to be Contested

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Service (CMS) announced that Noridian HealthCare Solutions, LLC. was awarded a contract to serve as the Jurisdiction A Durable Medical Equipment Medicare Administrative Contractor (DME MAC). Noridian currently holds contracts to serve as the Jurisdiction D DME MAC as well as the Pricing, Data Analysis, and Coding Contractor (PDAC) and will replace National Heritage Insurance Corporation (NHIC) as the Jurisdiction A DME MAC contractor. [Read more here.](#)

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