

Broward Coalition on Aging Legislative News

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Advance Beneficiary Notice: Key Updates and Compliance Reminders

On March 13, 2026, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved the updated a revised version of the Advance Beneficiary Notice and notified providers through its website and the Medicare Learning Network.

- The updated Advance Beneficiary Notice is effective immediately
- The new form expires March 31, 2029

Providers may continue using the previous version through May 12, 2026

Providers must fully transition to the updated ABN form no later than May 12, 2026.

AHCA Imposes Statewide Medicaid Enrollment Moratorium on New DME Providers Following Federal Action

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services issued a 6-month nationwide Medicare moratorium (Feb 27, 2026) on new Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies providers.

Agency for Health Care Administration followed with a statewide Medicaid moratorium on new DME providers (Type 90), effective March 20, 2026.

Moratorium applies only to new provider enrollments.

Not impacted: Pharmacies, Hospitals, Home health agencies providing DME as a secondary service

Bottom Line: Limited immediate impact, but a clear warning of a tougher enforcement environment.

Providers should ensure they have audit-ready compliance practices moving forward

TPS Haiti Update: July 1 Deadline Signals Urgent Workforce and Compliance Risks for Providers

U.S. Department of Homeland Security has moved forward with terminating Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for Haiti

Implementation is currently on hold due to ongoing litigation

Guidance was updated via E-Verify on March 25, 2026

TPS-related Employment Authorization Documents (EADs) are Extended through July 1, 2026

Employers must reflect this updated date in Form I-9, E-Verify

Expiration dates are Administrative and subject to change

Employers should NOT repeatedly update past I-9s with every new extension

BUT: If your organization already updates dates consistently, continue doing so

U.S. Supreme Court expected to Issue a decision by late June 2026

Potential Impact if TPS is Terminated: Affected individuals will lose work authorization unless qualified under another status, such as Asylum applicants (Category C08)

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) requests detailed information from FL on Medicaid program integrity

Recent enforcement actions in other states has highlighted issues in:

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Services (HCBS) Implications for Providers (Home Care & HCBS)

Increased scrutiny of: Billing practices, Documentation accuracy

Expanded oversight of: High-risk services (especially personal care)

Potential for: New regulations, Operational and compliance changes

HB 6017 Approved

Would repeal an only-in-Florida law that today bars adult children over 25 and their parents from suing for pain and suffering due to a wrongful death caused by medical malpractice. Lawmakers approved a repeal of the so-called "free kill". Currently on the Governor's desk, this was championed by the AARP.

Florida Legislature approves two Alzheimer's-related bills

Senate Bill 1404 (2026) (Memory Care) has passed both the Senate and House without opposition.

The bill creates a new specialty license for Assisted Living Facilities (ALFs) providing memory care services and awaits approval from Gov. Ron DeSantis.

Establishes specialized licensure requirements for ALFs that advertise or provide memory care services to residents with Alzheimer's disease or related dementias (ADRD).

ALFs claiming to offer "memory care" must obtain this new designation and meet specific standards.

If Gov signs new New Standards will be developed by AHCA by July 2027

Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Initiative (SB 578)

- Establishes a statewide awareness campaign
 - Purpose increase public awareness of available services and resources
- Department of Elder Affairs (DOEA) will contract with a qualified statewide nonprofit organization for implementation.



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