

### **Face-to-Face Final Rule Published**

The official rule published in the [Federal Register](#) (as a PDF) on November 17. Please use this document to plan for the face-to-face encounter require implementation date of January 1, 2011. NHPCO has created a [range of tools available online](#) to help members with this rule.

### **Face-to-Face Sample Forms Revised**

NHPCO received clarification from Palmetto, GBA that a physician signature is **NOT** needed for a verbal certification and have updated the initial certification sample forms and the recertification sample forms to reflect this update. Members can access all [Face-to-Face tools and resources](#) on the NHPCO website.