

# QMS symposium to examine impact of the ESRD bundle

With the newly released bundling payment system, new standards for electronic medical records, and CROWNWeb to worry about, everyone in the renal community may want to pay close attention to Quantitative Medical Systems' annual symposium, which will be held Aug. 19-20 at the Westin Casuarina in Las Vegas.


QMS's meeting will feature nationally-recognized experts to discuss challenges and opportunities the dialysis industry will be facing heading into 2011.

"Dialysis providers must adapt to specific challenges posed by the financial structure of bundled payment for dialysis therapy coupled with increased reporting requirements by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services," QMS said in a news release.

Sessions at the symposium will examine the newly released bundling rules, discuss revenue maximization, and operational optimization for providers to effectively adjust business models to work within the new paradigm, according to QMS.

There will also be a review of industry activities regarding CROWNWeb and electronic data submission will be

**The Conference**



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another part of this session.

In addition to these business topics, current clinical issues, which relate specifically to treating the end-stage renal disease patient during the first 120 days of dialysis and effective fluid management of the dialysis patient will be discussed.

Speakers for the symposium will include Edward Jones, MD; Diana Hlebovy, RN; Linda McCann, RD; Marcia Keen, RN, PhD, as well as key clinical and business members of the ESRD provider community. **N**

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## Calendar

### September

**European Dialysis & Transplant Nurses Association**

**European Renal Care Association Annual Meeting**

Sept. 18-21  
 Dublin, Ireland  
[queries@edtnaerca.org](mailto:queries@edtnaerca.org)  
[www.edtnaerca.org](http://www.edtnaerca.org)

**National Renal Administrators**

**Association Annual Fall Conference**

Sept. 29-Oct. 1  
 Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach  
 Huntington Beach, Calif. • 215.320.4655  
[www.nraa.org](http://www.nraa.org)

### October

**ESRD Network of New England Annual Meeting**

Oct. 14  
 Sturbridge Host Hotel  
 Sturbridge, Mass. • 203.387.9332  
[www.networkofnewengland.org](http://www.networkofnewengland.org)