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Good afternoon,

I have been working in home health for 25+ years. In all these years, I have been an advocate for people in our community needing Home Health. They deserve to receive care from agencies that have when thru a proven process for success in providing quality care – meeting the standard Medicare has set for home health agencies. Home health employees are not someone to cut corners- we want to do it right – we want to set a standard of care our communities deserve.

If LeadingAge is allowed to be exempt from needing a CON – will you allow this for someone else? Is this setting a stage for patients served by someone with a lower standard of care?

It is not always easy in meeting the Medicare Condition of Participation – but at the end of the day – these standards are necessary for the protection of our patients to ensure quality care is received.

I strongly oppose this petition.

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