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AGREEMENTS *Telemedicine covered in separate checklist YES NO N/A Date/Initials **Self-Assessment Questions Comments** Does the CAH have in effect an agreement with at least one hospital that furnishes acute care services and is a member of the Rural Health Network? C-0862 §485.616(a) Does the Rural Health Network agreement include a. a process for patient referral and transfer? b. development and use of network communication systems that include a system for electronic sharing of patient data, telemetry and medical records? c. provisions for the emergency and non-emergency transportation of patients with its network hospital? C-0864 §485.616(a)(1) C-0866 §485.616(a)(2) C-0868 §485.616(a)(3) Does the CAH keep a log of its communication with its network hospital(s)? C-0862 §485.616(a) Does the CAH have an agreement for credentialing and quality assurance with its network hospital, QIO or another appropriate and qualified entity identified in the state rural health care plan? C-0870 §485.616(b) Do agreements for credentialing and quality assurance include medical record review to determine the quality and medical necessity of medical care provided? C-0870 §485.616(b) PROVISION OF SERVICES—SERVICES UNDER ARRANGEMENT Do these patient care policies clearly describe the services that the CAH furnishes directly and those furnished through agreement or arrangement? C-1010 §485.635(a)(3)(i) Does the CAH maintain a current list of all services furnished under arrangements or agreements and

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does this list describe the nature and scope of the services provided? C-1042 §485.635 (c)(3)					
Is the CEO (who is responsible for CAH operations) ensuring:					
Services that are furnished under arrangements or agreements?					
 b. Ensuring contractors furnish services in a manner that comply witht all conditions of participation? 					
c. How does the CEO demonstrate oversight of contracted services? C-1042 §485.635 (c)(4)					

Key Resources and Links

- CMS Conditions of Participation and Interpretative Guidelines
- CMS CAH Page(including crosswalk)
- CMS CAH Basic Training

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