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- ◆ **The HHS Office of Inspector General has updated its Work Plan, its road map of audits and evaluations.** In addition to a new item on Medicare Part B payments for podiatry and ancillary services, there are a lot of new items on National Institutes of Health (NIH) oversight. They include NIH's implementation of financial conflict of interest regulations. Visit <https://go.usa.gov/xEUSU>.
- ◆ **Hooshang Poor, M.D., a geriatric medicine physician, has agreed to pay \$680,000 to resolve false claims allegations in connection with Medicare and Medicaid services provided to nursing home patients,** the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Boston said Feb. 21. From June 1, 2011, to May 31, 2017, Poor allegedly inflated claims by assigning false procedure codes that overstated the length, extent and scope of services he and his employees provided to nursing home residents. Visit <http://bit.ly/2Nj3lbR>.

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