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**Speaker Bio:**

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Bill Dombi’s responsibilities are primarily directed towards legal, legislative and regulatory advocacy on behalf of patients and providers of home health and hospice care. With over 26 years of experience in health care law, Bill Dombi has been involved in virtually all legislative and regulatory efforts affecting home care and hospice since 1978 including the expansion of the Medicare home health benefit in 1980, the formation of the hospice benefit in 1983, and the institution on Medicare PPS for home health in 2000. With litigation, Dombi was lead counsel in the landmark "Staggers" lawsuit which reformed the Medicare home health services benefit, challenges to HMO home care cutbacks for high-tech patients, lawsuits against Medicaid programs for inadequate payment rates, a nationwide class action against HCFA for its failure to enforce the federal HMO Act, and litigation directed against the "Interim Payment System" for the Medicare home health benefit. In addition to litigation, Bill offers significant community and professional educational services through lectures, publications, teleconferences, and videos. He is the Editor and lead author of “Home Care & Hospice Law: A Handbook for Executives,” the only comprehensive legal treatise on the topic. His recent presentations include market trends in home care, compliance risk management, patient rights, fraud and abuse , health care reimbursement, legislative and regulatory reforms, and legal issues in telehealth services.