## G410 (Rev. 219; Issued: 04-12-24; Effective: 04-12-24; Implementation: 04-12-24)

§484.50(a) Standard: Notice of rights. The HHA must—

(1) Provide the patient and the patient's legal representative (if any), the following information during the initial evaluation visit, in advance of furnishing care to the patient:

## **Interpretive Guidelines §484.50(a)(1)**

The term "in advance" is defined at §484.2. "In advance" means that HHA staff must complete the task prior to performing any hands-on care or any patient education.

A "legal representative" is an individual who has been legally designated or appointed as the patient's health care decision maker. When there is no evidence that a patient has a legal representative, such as a guardianship, a power of attorney for health care decision-making, or a designated health care agent, the HHA must provide the information directly to the patient.

The initial evaluation visit is the initial assessment visit that is conducted to determine the immediate care and support needs of the patient.