1. A patient’s family visits a skilled nursing facility that is dually certified. The patient’s daughter meets with the administrator and inquires, “My mom, Josephine, has Medicare coverage. I am a nurse and have been taking care of her at home, but my family and a new job are putting more and more demands on my time and I cannot take care of my mom anymore. She requires tube feeding and has an indwelling urinary catheter. She is in a wheelchair because of limited mobility. She may need some physical therapy. I have heard good things about your nursing home and would like to bring her here.” What should be the administrator’s response?
2. Mabel Brown resides in an assisted living facility and is admitted to the hospital following a stroke. After a hospital stay of 8 days, Ms. Brown returned to her apartment at the assisted living center, but she needs assistance with personal care and some speech therapy. Will Medicare pay for the personal care services and speech therapy? Why or Why not?