

Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) Spotlights and Announcements

May 10, 2022

Reminder of Upcoming Data Submission Deadline

The submission deadline for the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) is approaching. Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment data and data submitted to Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) via the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) for October 1 – December 31 (Q4) of Calendar Year (CY) 2021 are due with this submission deadline.

All data must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. on May 16, 2022.

It is recommended that the applicable CMS Certification and Survey Provider Enhanced Reports (CASPER) reports and NHSN analysis reports are run prior to each quarterly reporting deadline to ensure that all required data were submitted. We encourage you to verify all facility information prior to submission, including CMS Certification Number (CCN) and facility name.

View the list of measures required for the May 16, 2022 deadline on the [SNF Quality Reporting Program Data Submission Deadlines](#) webpage.

For submission information, visit:

- [QTSO Nursing Home \(MDS\) Reference & Manuals](#)
- [CMS Resources for NHSN Users](#)

Swingtech sends informational messages to SNFs that are not meeting Annual Payment Update (APU) thresholds on a quarterly basis ahead of each submission deadline. If you need to add or change the email addresses to which these messages are sent, please email QRPHelp@swingtech.com and be sure to include your facility name and CCN along with any requested email updates.

February 11, 2022

Reminder of Upcoming Data Submission Deadline

The submission deadline for the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) is approaching. Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment data for July 1 – September 30 (Q3) of Calendar Year (CY) 2021 are due with this submission deadline.

All data must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. on February 15, 2022.

It is recommended that the applicable Centers for Medicare & Medicaid (CMS) Certification and Survey Provider Enhanced Reports (CASPER) reports are run prior to each quarterly reporting deadline to ensure that all required data were submitted. We encourage you to verify all facility information prior to submission, including CMS Certification Number (CCN) and facility name.

View the list of measures required for the February 15, 2022 deadline on the [SNF Quality Reporting Program Data Submission Deadlines](#) webpage.

For submission information, visit the [QTSO Nursing Home \(MDS\) Reference & Manuals](#) webpage.

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January 26, 2022

NEW RESOURCE AVAILABLE: Second Edition Skilled Nursing Facility QRP Public Reporting Tip Sheet

These resources can be accessed through the [Skilled Nursing Facility \(SNF\) Quality Reporting Program \(QRP\) Training](#) page.

January 26, 2022

Care Compare January Refresh of SNF QRP Data – Now Available

The January 2022 refresh of the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) data is now available on [Care Compare](#) and [Provider Data Catalog \(PDC\)](#).

For more information, please visit the [SNF QRP Public Reporting](#) website.

January 14, 2022

SNF Provider Preview Reports – Now Available

The Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Provider Preview Reports have been updated and are now available. These reports contain provider performance scores for quality measures, which will be published on [Care Compare](#) and [Provider Data Catalog \(PDC\)](#) during the **April 2022** refresh of the websites.

The data contained within the Preview Reports are based on quality assessment data submitted by SNFs from **Quarter 3, 2020 through Quarter 2, 2021 (4 quarters)**. The data for the claims-based measures will continue to display **Quarter 4, 2017 through Quarter 3, 2019** data for this refresh while CMS performs additional measure analyses.

Providers have until **February 14, 2022**, to review their performance data. Corrections to the underlying data will not be permitted during this time. However, providers can request the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) review of their data during the preview period if they believe the quality measure scores that are displayed within their Preview Reports are inaccurate.

For more information, please visit the [CMS SNF QRP Public Reporting](#) website.

November 16, 2021

SNF Provider Preview Reports - Now Available

The Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Provider Preview Reports have been updated and are now available. These reports contain provider performance scores on quality measures, which will be published on [Care Compare](#) and [Provider Data Catalog \(PDC\)](#) during the **January 2022** refresh.

For more information, please visit the [CMS SNF QRP Public Reporting](#) website.

November 10, 2021

Reminder of Upcoming Data Submission Deadline

The submission deadline for the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) is approaching. Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment data for April 1 – June 30 (Q2) of Calendar Year (CY) 2021 are due with this submission deadline.

All data must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. on November 15, 2021.

It is recommended that the applicable Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Certification And Survey Provider Enhancement Reports (CASPER) reports are run prior to each quarterly reporting deadline to ensure that all required data were submitted. We encourage you to verify all facility information prior to submission, including CMS Certification Number (CCN) and facility name.

View the list of measures required for the November 15, 2021 deadline on the [SNF QRP Data Submission Deadlines](#) webpage.

For submission information, visit the [QIES Technical Support Office \(QTSO\) Nursing Home \(MDS\)/Swing Bed Providers Reference & Manuals](#) webpage.

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November 10, 2021

NEW RESOURCES AVAILABLE: Job Aids – GG0130A. Eating, GG0130B. Oral Hygiene, GG0130C. Toileting Hygiene, GG0130E. Shower/Bathe Self, GG0130F. Upper Body Dressing, GG0130G. Lower Body Dressing, and GG0130H. Putting On/Taking Off Footwear

These resources can be accessed through the [Skilled Nursing Facility \(SNF\) Quality Reporting Program \(QRP\) Training](#) webpage.

November 10, 2021

NEW RESOURCES AVAILABLE: Quick Assessment Reference Pocket Guides / Badge Buddies for Coding

These resources can be accessed through the [Skilled Nursing Facility \(SNF\) Quality Reporting Program \(QRP\) Training](#) webpage.

November 4, 2021

Medicare and Medicaid Programs: Omnibus COVID-19 Health Care Staff Vaccination

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) displayed the Interim final rule with comment period. The emergency regulation is effective as of November 5, 2021.

SUMMARY: This interim final rule with comment period revises the requirements that most Medicare- and Medicaid-certified providers and suppliers must meet to participate in the Medicare and Medicaid programs. These changes are necessary to help protect the health and safety of residents, clients, patients, Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) participants, and staff, and reflect lessons learned to date as a result of the COVID-19 public health emergency. The revisions to the requirements establish COVID-19 vaccination requirements for staff at the included Medicare- and Medicaid certified providers and suppliers.

Stakeholders have 60 days to submit formal comment on the emergency regulation. It is important to note that since this is an emergency regulation, the requirements will go into effect immediately and before any additional response is provided on the comments by CMS. The comment period officially closes on January 4, 2022.

The interim final rule went on display at the Federal Register's Public Inspection Desk and will be available at <https://www.federalregister.gov/public-inspection/2021-23831/medicare-and-medicare-programs-omnibus-covid-19-health-care-staff-vaccination> To view a list of frequently asked questions, visit: www.cms.gov/files/document/cms-omnibus-staff-vax-requirements-2021.pdf (PDF)