

September 8, 2016

Provider Training Questions and Feedback on MDS 3.0

CMS has posted a document that provides responses to some MDS-specific questions that were received during the Skilled Nursing Facility Quality Reporting Program (SNF QRP) training events.

Topics include:

- MDS 3.0 Assessments relevant to the SNF QRP
- Part A PPS Discharge Combinations
- Section GG, and
- Pressure Ulcer quality measure (QM)

The document is available in the Downloads section.

August 19, 2016

RTI International, on behalf of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), convened a Technical Expert Panel (TEP) to seek expert input on the development of Functional Outcome Quality Measures for Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs). This all-day, in-person TEP meeting was held on May 5, 2016, in Baltimore, MD. This TEP summary report provides describes that TEP proceedings, detailing key issues related to measure development, and TEP discussion around those issues. This report also provides a summary of the background, the process for the TEP meetings, and the organization of the TEP report.

The TEP summary document for the development of Functional Outcome Quality Measures for Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) can be found in the "Downloads" section on the bottom of this page.

April 21, 2016

Specifications for the measures proposed for adoption into the SNF QRP through the SNF PPS FY 2017 Proposed Rule are posted. The specifications provide detailed information on the following proposed measures: Medicare Spending Per Beneficiary-Post Acute Care Skilled Nursing Facility Quality Reporting Program, Discharge to Community-Post Acute Care Skilled Nursing Facility Quality Reporting Program, Potentially Preventable 30-Day Post Discharge Readmission Measure for Skilled Nursing Facility Quality Reporting Program, and Drug Regimen Review Conducted with Follow-Up for Identified Issues-Post Acute Care Skilled Nursing Facility Quality Reporting Program. **The specifications for the proposed measures can be found in the Downloads section of this page.**

The proposed item set specifications for the proposed measure, Drug Regimen Review Conducted with Follow-Up for Identified Issues-Post Acute Care Skilled Nursing Facility Quality Reporting Program, as delineated in the SNF PPS FY 2017 Proposed Rule can be found in the Downloads section of this page.