

Regulatory Hot Topics

- November 2017
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Federal Updates

First will go over Federal Updates

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The first area to cover is Federal Updates

New Emergency Preparedness

There were webinars to go over in depth the new requirements. One of the areas is the required full scale drill that is to be done by November of 2017. (Have you done yours's?) Please reach out to Jason or Courtney if there are any questions on this

At this time it is going to be the Health Facility Evaluator Nurses that are going to doing these surveys !

New Survey Process

There is a new survey process that begins at the end of this month. Surveyors have been trained to this Modeled after the QIS process with elements of traditional survey as well
Uses the new ROP's
More emphasis on observation of care and resident interviews that start right away
Computer based

New Survey Process

Sample size is based on census
70% is selected off site
30% selected on site
Vulnerable
New Admission
Complaints/ERI's
Identified concerns

New 802 Resident Matrix

There is a new 802 and new instructions
It is posted on the CAHF website at

<http://www.cahf.org/Programs/Regulatory/NEW-802-with-Instructions>

New categories

Resident Status	Resident Type	Resident Category	Resident Sub-Category
1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28
29	30	31	32
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49	50	51	52
53	54	55	56
57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64
65	66	67	68
69	70	71	72
73	74	75	76
77	78	79	80
81	82	83	84
85	86	87	88
89	90	91	92
93	94	95	96
97	98	99	100

Resident Interviews

More of an emphasis on resident interviews and observations
These being on DAY 1

Interview less structured

New Entrance Conference Checklist

There is a new entrance conference checklist
It is posted on the CAHF website at

<http://www.cahf.org/Programs/Regulatory/NEW-Survey-Entrance-Conference-Checklist->

What is needed immediately?

- Immediate

ENTRANCE CONFERENCE WORKSHEET
Administrator Copy

ITEMS & INFORMATION NEEDED FROM THE FACILITY

Facility Name: _____ Survey Date: _____ to: _____
Administrator/Designee: _____ Time: _____

INFORMATION NEEDED FROM THE FACILITY IMMEDIATELY UPON ENTRANCE		
<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Census number (includes _____ Bed Holds)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	2. Complete matrix for new admissions in the last 30 days who are still residing in the facility. Provide a copy to each surveyor.	Immediately
<input type="checkbox"/>	3. An alphabetical list of all residents (note any resident out of the facility).	Immediately
<input type="checkbox"/>	4. A list of residents who smoke, designated smoking times, and locations	Immediately

What is needed by end of exit conference

- End conference

ENTRANCE CONFERENCE		
<input type="checkbox"/>	5. Provide each surveyor with access to all resident electronic health records – do not exclude any information that should be a part of the resident's medical record. Provide specific information on how surveyors can access the resident's clinical records outside of the conference room.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	6. Information regarding full time COI coverage (verbal confirmation is acceptable).	
<input type="checkbox"/>	7. Information about the facility's emergency water source (verbal confirmation is acceptable).	
<input type="checkbox"/>	8. Signs announcing the survey that are posted in high-visibility areas. (App F)	End of EC
<input type="checkbox"/>	9. A copy of an updated facility floor plan, if changes have been made. (App F)	End of EC
<input type="checkbox"/>	10. Name of Resident Council President _____ Room # _____	End of EC
<input type="checkbox"/>	11. Provide the facility with a copy of the CASPER 3.	End of EC

What is needed within 1 hour

- 1 hour

INFORMATION NEEDED FROM THE FACILITY WITHIN ONE HOUR OF ENTRANCE			
<input type="checkbox"/>	12.	Schedule of meal times and location of dining rooms, copies of all current menu (spread sheets) including therapeutic menus that will be served for the duration of the survey.	1 Hour
<input type="checkbox"/>	13.	Schedule of Medication Administration times (by each unit, neighborhood and/or floor if variable).	1 Hour
<input type="checkbox"/>	14.	The actual working schedules for licensed and registered nursing staff for the survey time period for all RNs and LVN's for all shifts during the survey period. If changes are made during the course of the survey, please provide an updated schedule. (App F)	1 Hour
<input type="checkbox"/>	15.	List of key personnel, location, and phone numbers... (see F)	1 Hour

INFORMATION NEEDED FROM FACILITY WITHIN FOUR HOURS OF ENTRANCE			
<input type="checkbox"/>	16.	Complete matrix for all other residents.	4 Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	17.	Dialysis Contract, Agreement, Arrangement, and Policy and Procedures.	4 Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	18.	Influenza / Pneumococcal Immunization - Policy & Procedures.	4 Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	19.	QMSA committee information (name of contact, names of members and frequency of meetings).	4 Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	20.	Abuse Prohibition Policy and Procedures.	4 Hours

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INFORMATION NEEDED FROM FACILITY WITHIN FOUR HOURS OF ENTRANCE			
<input type="checkbox"/>	21.	Disaster and Emergency Preparedness Policy and Procedures	4 Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	22.	Description of any experimental research occurring in the facility	4 Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	23.	Provide any nurse staffing waivers. The information will be reviewed by the assigned surveyor as part of the review of the facilities compliance with the waiver requirements at 7505.	4 Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	24.	List of rooms meeting any one of the following conditions that require a variance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Less than the required square footage • More than four residents • Below ground level • No window to the outside • No direct access to an exit corridor 	4 Hours

Within 24 hours

- 24 hours

INFORMATION NEEDED FROM THE FACILITY WITHIN 24 HOURS OF ENTRANCE			
<input type="checkbox"/>	25.	Completed Long Term Care Facility Application for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS-471). (App F)	24 Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	26.	Completed Resident Census and Conditions of Residents (CMS-472). (App F)	24 Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	27.	Complete Beneficiary Notice worksheet	24 Hours

California Specific information

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CA REQUIRED ITEMS		
<input type="checkbox"/>	28. Administrator – please complete SNF/NF Disaster Preparedness tool and return it to the Team Coordinator. (AFU07-31, LAC P&P Section 301.30.11)	24 Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	29. A copy of the facility Disaster Policy and Procedures, including availability of water. (AFL 07-31, LAC P&P Section 301.30.11)	24 Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	30. List of ALL employees hired since the last survey (SOM App P + 4 mo. CA W&I 15655a)(1)* 1 yr – therefore this list covers both requirements)	24 Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	31. List of Current Employees with their hire date. (CA W&I 15655a)(2)	24 Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	32. Staff development training records for mandated reporting of abuse since last survey. (CA W&I 15655a)(3)	24 Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	33. Civil Rights Compliance form (DHS 1051)	Mail to address on form
<input type="checkbox"/>	34. Survey Evaluation	Electronic Submission see APL 15-19

CRITICAL PATHWAYS

• Here is the link to all of the critical pathways that surveyors may or may not use on the survey depending on the findings

<http://www.cahf.org/Programs/Regulatory/New-Survey-process-Critical-Element-Pathways>

CRITICAL PATHWAYS

- SNF Beneficiary Protection Notification Review
- Dining Observation
- Infection Prevention, Control & Immunizations
- Kitchen Observation
- Medication Administration Observation
- Resident Council Interview
- Quality Assessment and Assurance (QAA) and Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement (QAPI) Plan Review

CRITICAL PATHWAYS

Abuse Critical Element Pathway
Environmental Observations
Sufficient and Competent Nurse Staffing Review
Personal Funds Review
Activities Critical Element Pathway
Activities of Daily Living (ADL) Critical Element Pathway
Behavioral and Emotional Status Critical Element Pathway

CRITICAL PATHWAYS

Urinary Catheter or Urinary Tract Infection Critical Element Pathway
Communication and Sensory Problems (Includes Hearing and Vision) Critical Element Pathway
Dental Status and Services Critical Element Pathway
Dialysis Critical Element Pathway
General Critical Element Pathway
Hospice and End of Life Care and Services Critical Element Pathway
Death Critical Element Pathway

CRITICAL PATHWAYS

Nutrition Critical Element Pathway
Pain Recognition and Management Critical Element Pathway
Physical Restraints Critical Element Pathway
Pressure Ulcer/Injury Critical Element Pathway
Specialized Rehabilitative or Restorative Services Critical Element Pathway
Respiratory Care Critical Element Pathway
Unnecessary Medications, Psychotropic Medications, and Medication Regimen Review Critical Element Pathway

CRITICAL PATHWAYS

- Medication Storage and Labeling
- Preadmission Screening and Resident Review Critical Element Pathway
- Extended Survey
- Hydration Critical Element Pathway
- Tube Feeding Status Critical Element Pathway
- Positioning, Mobility & Range of Motion (ROM) Critical Element Pathway
- Hospitalization Critical Element Pathway

CRITICAL PATHWAYS

- Bladder or Bowel Incontinence Critical Element Pathway
- Accidents Critical Element Pathway
- Neglect Critical Element Pathway
- Resident Assessment Critical Element Pathway
- Discharge Critical Element Pathway
- Dementia Care Critical Element Pathway

Mandatory CE Pathways

- Infection Control
- SNF Beneficiary Protection Notification Review
- Kitchen Observation
- Medication Administration
- Medication Storage
- Resident Council Meeting
- Sufficient and Competent Nursing Staffing Review
- Environment

Mandatory CE Pathways

I recommend that you print out these pathways and review them

Enforcement Delays

CMS is planning to freeze

Use of remedies for Phase 11 requirements (QAPI, Facility assessment, antibiotic stewardship) for one year

Survey Score in Five Star for 12 months. Waiting for clarification from CMS on this. Most likely if a 1 or 2 star will not freeze so can have option to raise star

All new F tags

Along with the new survey process there is a renumbering of all the F tags and a categorization and all new interpretive guidelines

Here is a link to the information as well as a cross walk
<http://www.cahf.org/Programs/Regulatory/NEW-State-Operations-Manual>

Facility Assessment

Do not forget you facility assessment must be completed this month
Here is the link to the CAHF website where we have posted a tool and a data collection tool to assist with gathering the data

<http://www.cahf.org/Programs/Regulatory/Facility-Assessment>

Any questions on these items?



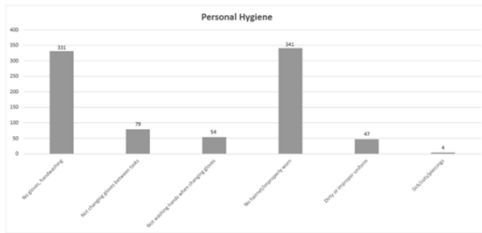
Dietary Grant Update

Sandra Berke at sberke@cahf.org or 916-441-6400 is the Dietary Manager

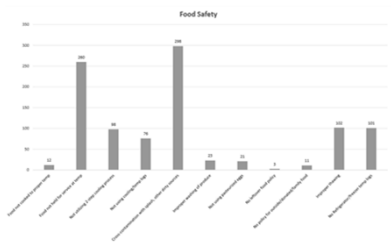
<http://www.cahf.org/DietaryServicesProject>

We have analyzed over 4200 deficiencies that covered the last 3 year. The review was concentrated on F371 to start with

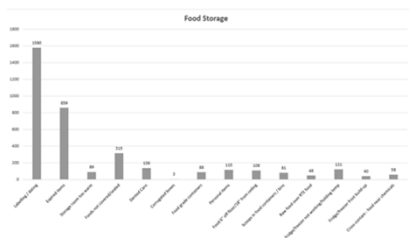
Personal Hygiene



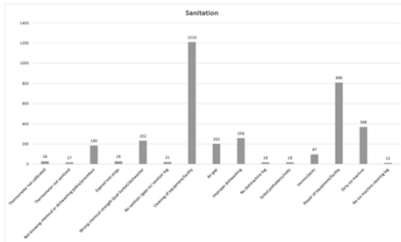
Food Safety



Food Storage



Sanitation



Beta Test Facilities

We are currently in the process of selecting 10 facilities to test the training materials and provide input.

New CMS Analytic CMP Tool

CMS issued a new CMP for state agencies to use when non-compliance exist. This tool makes sure the following area are taken into effect

- Past Noncompliance
- Per Instance CMP is the default for noncompliance that existed before the survey
- Per Day CMP is the default for noncompliance existing during the survey and beyond
- Revisit Timing
- Review of High CMP's

Past Noncompliance

This will be something that occurred before the current survey, but has been fully addressed and the facility is back in compliance with that area.

Per Instance CMP

RO will impose a Per Instance CMP retroactively for non-compliance that still exists at the time of the survey, but began earlier. HOWEVER, a Per Day will be used to address noncompliance that occurred where

- 1) resident suffers actual serious harm at the IJ level
- 2) resident was abused
- 3) facility had persistent deficient practices violating federal regulations

Per Day CMP

Will be used for noncompliance identified during the survey and beyond, because there is an urgent need to promote a swift return to substantial compliance for a sustained period of time, preventing future noncompliance.

EXCEPTION

Facility with good noncompliance histories and where a single isolated incident causes harm to a resident unless abuse was cited

Revisit Timing

Regional Offices should consider the timing of the revisit survey to certify compliance when imposing the final CMP amount.

Also Central Office will review CMP of any amount greater than \$250,000

Payroll Based Journal

Nursing Home Compare website will now indicates whether a facility has submitted date as required and whether it was submitted, complete, incomplete or inaccurate.

If any questions on PBJ contact Jeff Sandman

State updates

CDPH is implementing the new survey process and asked for facilities to take part in Mock Surveys

Please share if you are selected to be one of the mock survey or any feedback from it

CDPH has revamped their website! Harder to maneuver

SB 219 Bill of Rights for LGBT

- Governor Jerry Brown signed into law **SB 219**, the 'Bill of Rights' for LGBT seniors in long term care. It will go into effect on January 1, 2018.
- Existing state law and federal regulations already provide protection of these rights. What **SB 219** does is to make it lawful to take specified actions on the basis of a person's actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) status.
- In addition to other training required by other federal and state laws, a skilled nursing facility shall provide existing employees and new hires access to the online learning tool, "Building Respect for LGBT Older Adults," which is available on the **National Resource Center on LGBT Aging Internet website**.

Required information

- Each facility shall post the following notice alongside its current nondiscrimination policy in all places and on all materials where that policy is posted:
- *"[Name of facility] does not discriminate and does not permit discrimination, including, but not limited to, bullying, abuse, or harassment, on the basis of actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or HIV status, or based on association with another individual on account of that individual's actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or HIV status. You may file a complaint with the Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman [provide contact information] if you believe that you have experienced this kind of discrimination."*
- Please note you will need to put in the specific information and post this in the same area other public postings are posted for your facility.
- A facility must also employ procedures for recordkeeping, including records generated at the time of admission, that include the gender identity, correct name, as indicated by the resident, and pronoun of each resident, as indicated by the resident. As part of the admission intake this information should be obtained.

Link on CAHF Member website

<http://www.cahf.org/Programs/Regulatory/LGBT>

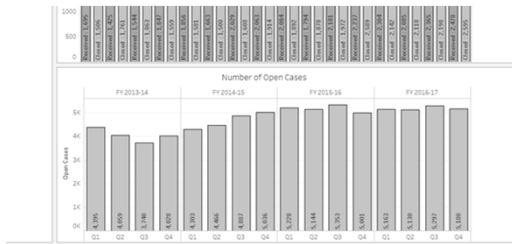
I DR/I I DR

CDPH acknowledged that they are not always consistent and timely in the IDR/IIDR process

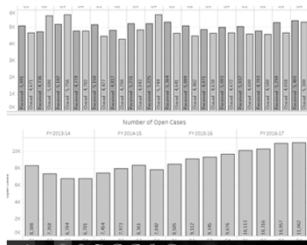
They are working to ensure within a District Office the IDR is done by the DA/DM or at least a supervisor not involved in the initial findings.

If you have any questions or concerns with your IDR/IIDR please reach out

COMPLAINTS OPEN



SELF REPORTS



Drug Take Back

Article 9.1 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations now includes Section 1776.1 (Pharmacy Law) that indicates under subpart (g): "As part of its drug take-back services, a pharmacy shall not...(2) Accept or possess prescription drugs from skilled nursing facilities, residential care home, health care practitioners or any other entity." Following is a link to the Board's most recent "Script" newsletter outlining the requirement: http://www.pharmacy.ca.gov/publications/17_oct_script.pdf <https://urldefuse.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=http-3A_www.pharmacy.ca.gov_publications_17-5Foct-5Fscript.pdf&d=DwMGaQ&c=e1ndyrr78wLdc_gINiOaGpdFf9IE6l_-kiWg_ABtLs&r=BnZpaijzCx4_guF_uZrUPHpiOLwnKhdIBpLTrKcJgg&m=TTLFbJlksuDpoM_UWfBkfbxeQZR2CwU6cP8g06-VxcQ&s=Bx_icaZ4HU6hDu-RdE4RPdH6Je9Kiua_FnO1qYsvStU&e=>>

Here are the changes

- Title 22 Section 72371 (d) indicates individual patient drugs in sealed containers may be returned, if unopened, to the issuing pharmacy "Unless otherwise prohibited under applicable federal or state laws..." Therefore, the current Board of Pharmacy Prescription Take Back requirement would preclude what is allowed by SNF Title 22 in this circumstance.
- The Board has indicated LTC pharmacies may accept returned nursing home patient medications only at the point of delivery (before the medications are accepted into the facility).

Pharmacy Take Back

- Please note that SNF Title 22 Section 72371 (a) allows medications which have been dispensed for individual patient use and labeled in conformance with State and Federal law to be furnished to nursing home patients on discharge pursuant to a physician's order; the regulation indicates: "If the physician's discharge orders do not include provisions for drug dispositions, drugs shall be furnished to patients unless: (1) The discharging physician specifies otherwise or, (2) The patient leaves or is discharged without a physician's order or approval or, (3) The patient is discharged to a general acute hospital, acute psychiatric hospital, or acute care rehabilitation hospital or, (4) The drug was discontinued prior to discharge, or (5) The labeled directions for use are not substantially the same as most current orders for the drug in the patient's health record. (b) A record of the drugs sent with the patient shall be made in the patient's health record." Section 72371 (c) provides guidance regarding nursing home destruction of discontinued/discharged SNF patient medications

Need to update

- SNF providers should ensure pharmaceutical services policies and procedures regarding drug disposition reflect current regulatory requirements and are established, reviewed, monitored and approved by the pharmaceutical service committee in accordance with Title 22 Section 72525.
- CAHF is actively looking for options to challenge this or work with it

What does 72525 say

- Pharmaceutical service committee.
- (A) A pharmaceutical service committee shall direct the pharmaceutical services in the facility.
- (B) The committee shall be composed of the following: a pharmacist, the director of nursing service, the administrator and at least one physician.
- (C) The committee shall meet at least quarterly.
- (D) The functions of the pharmaceutical service committee shall include, but not be limited to:
 1. Establishing, reviewing, monitoring and approving policies and procedures for safe procurement, storage, distribution and use of drugs and biologicals.
 2. Reviewing and taking appropriate action on the pharmacist's quarterly report.
 3. Recommending measures for improvement of services and the selection of pharmaceutical reference materials.

Nuedexta

This is a reminder regarding Nuedexta. It is only to be used for residents with a confirmed diagnosis of pseudobulbar affect. This diagnosis is only for 1% of the population.
 If any of your residents in your facility are on this medication you need to make sure they have this diagnosis confirmed.

Nuedexta

There is a movement by the Los Angeles City Attorney has launched a investigation the drugmaker of Nuedexta for improper marketing to SNF's and the elderly.

They feel federal laws were broken in marketing or prescribing.

The current NHHPD Audit process

Here is what is currently looked at during a NHHPD audit

- Selected dates from a 90-day period preceding the audit
- Includes payroll and personnel records, nursing payroll codes, assignment sheets, duty statements, job descriptions, job descriptions, registry invoices, and/or census and NHHPD forms.
- If a electronic payroll system is used the auditor will still need to be provided a paper copy of the payroll record

The current NHHPD Audit process

If a staff is hired to perform duties other than nursing services, documentation must delineate the time spent on nursing

Example of this is the Director of Nursing in a facility with 60 or more beds or the Director of Staff Development when providing nursing services those hours required to carry out the duties for these positions

Patient Census and how it is counted

The facility shall provide the auditor with the patient census at either (a) the beginning of each shift if a facility has three (3) shifts within a 24 hour period or (b) the beginning of the 24-hour patient day and again both at 8 hours and 16 hours after the start of the 24-hour patient day, for all the days requested. The facility shall provide the exact time it begins its patient day.

The calculation of 3.2 NHPPD

Based on

- Patient day-the 24-hour period of time used to determine compliance
- Average Census
- Number of hours worked by direct caregivers

Final Calculation=

- Total number of nursing hours/average census=NHPPD

Definitions

Absent Patient=patient that is not in the facility or receiving services

Average Census=determined by either (a) beginning of each shift if a facility has 3 shifts within a 24-hour period or (b) the beginning of the 24 patient day and again both at 8 hours and 16 hours after the start of the 24 hour patient day and dividing the total by 3. "Census Period" means the period of time covered by the method chosen to figure the average census

Definition of a Direct Care Giver

Registered Nurse (as defined in Business and Professions Code 2732)
Licensed Vocational Nurse (Business and Professions Code 2864)
Certified Nurse Assistant or a nursing assistant participating in a
approved training program, as defined in HSC 1337, while performing
nursing services as described in Title 22 Section 72309, 72311
A licensed nurse serving as a MDS coordinator

What is not considered Nursing Services

Paid or unpaid time spent on meal breaks, except that paid meal
periods where documentation supports that nursing service were
performed in lieu of a meal break
Time spent in non-nursing services functions such as restocking,
scheduling, food preparation, housekeeping, laundry, maintenance,
administrative and financial recordkeeping, and administrative
maintenance of health records.
Private duty nursing services

What is going to change with the 3.5/2.4

The new rule will require to now be at an overall of 3.5 NHPD of
which 2.4 hours must be devoted to CNA's.

Does this change the definitions of what counts in the hours?

Depends on how the regulation is written

SB 97 requires emergency regulations to be written for the new requirement
The Advocates are pushing for many changes as part of the new regulations

What are they proposing ?

Advocates what like to see a change in what counts are direct care staff

- One MDS coordinator, or only the time that is out doing assessment counts
- Only count the CNA time if they are actually a CNA not NA time
- Would like to see ratios developed
- Do want nursing care compromised or reduced just to meet the
- 3.5/2.4
- Only true hands on time counts

What is CAHF doing?

CAHF is attending all the stakeholder meetings to hear what the proposals are
Providing input as to what the waiver should entail as well as the fact this provides for no change in what is currently counted as direct care
Against ratios

What do I need to do as a facility?

Keep up to date on the changes and any changes in how direct care staff is counted

Know if might be eligible for a waiver

Be able to show the auditor the 3.5 as well as the 2.4 breakdown

Make sure all sign in sheets are up to date and have the necessary information

Who is keeping track of the staffing and are they are

Do not wait until July 1 to have adequate staff to meet this

All Facilities Letters

CDPH revamped website does not have all of the AFL's on it like previously, they are in the process of adding them all back in to meet the ADA format.

They are as far back as 2016 if need further back let me know and we will obtain

All Facilities Letters



AFL 17-10

This AFL was issued on July 18 2017 and served as notice of the 2017-18 license renew fee

Please note it is the responsibility of the facility to obtain a renewal notice. If you do not receive in the mail 45 days prior to renewal contact

Rcollection@cdph.ca.gov or call 916-552-8700 or 1-800-236-9747

AFL 17-10 continued

The fees

ICF	\$602.78/bed
ICF DD	\$1,121,33/bed
ICF DDH	\$1,121,33/bed
ICD DDN	\$1,121,33/bed
SNF	\$606.17/bed

AFL-17-12

This AFL was issued on August 3, 2017. This was issued for a Level 11 Excessive heat warning.

Reminders to facilities to

- Dress in lightweight, loose-fitting clothing
- Keep well hydrated
- Minimize physical activities
- Stay indoors and out of sun
- Use fans as indicated

AFL 17-14

This AFL was issued on August 24, 2017 regarding changes to MDS 3.0 that went into effect October 1, 2017.

It now requires facilities to obtain updated software for Section S from the Quality Improvement and Evaluation System Technical Support Office as www.qtso.com

AFL 17-14 continued

These sections are added

S9040A Does resident have a California POLST in chart?

S9040E CA-POLST Section D-Signature of physician nurse practitioner or physician assistant

Required to be completed on comprehensive, quarter and discharge assessments. Not required on PPS assessments

AFL 17-15

This was issued on September 01, 2017 and was another Level 11 heat warning.

AFL 17-16

This AFL was issued on September 20, 2017. This AFL was to inform all facilities that any CDPH employee entering a facility would have a influenza sticker on their id

17/18

The 2017/2018 CDOH

Influenza verification sticker

Or would need to be provided a mask

AFL 17-17

This AFL was issued on September 20, 2017. This AFL was to provide notice that the San Francisco District Office was transferring the oversight responsibility of the rest of the provider types in Santa Clara County to the San Jose District Office.

AFL 17-19

This AFL was issued on September 28th 2017. This AFL notified facilities of the new items and changes and updated information in the RAI 3.0 users manual. These changes went into effect October 01, 2017. The new version may be printed from

<https://www.cms.gov/medicare/quality-initiatives-patient-assessment-instruments/nursinghomeequalityinits/mds30raimanual.html>

Highlight of these changes

P2200 Alarms	
An alarm is any physical or electronic device that monitors resident movement and alerts the staff when movement is detected.	
Error codes in boxes	
P2200A	Bed alarm
P2200B	Chair alarm
P2200C	Floor mat alarm
P2200D	Motion sensor alarm
P2200E	Wander/ elopement alarm
P2200F	Other alarm

Health-related Quality of Life and alarms

- An alarm is any physical or electronic device that monitors resident movement and alerts the staff, by either audible or inaudible means, when movement is detected, and may include bed, chair and floor sensor pads, cords that clip to the resident’s clothing, motion sensors, door alarms, or elopement/wandering devices. • While often used as an intervention in a resident’s fall prevention strategy, the efficacy of alarms to prevent falls has not been proven; therefore, alarm use must not be the primary or sole intervention in the plan.

Quality of Life Continued

- The use of an alarm as part of the resident’s plan of care does not eliminate the need for adequate supervision, nor does the alarm replace individualized, person-centered care planning.

Why the change?

- Adverse consequences of alarm use include, but are not limited to, fear, anxiety, or agitation related to the alarm sound; decreased mobility; sleep disturbances; and infringement on freedom of movement, dignity, and privacy.

Planning for Care for alarms

Individualized, person-centered care planning surrounding the resident's use of an alarm is important to the resident's overall well-being. • When the use of an alarm is considered as an intervention in the resident's safety strategy, use must be based on the assessment of the resident and monitored for efficacy on an ongoing basis, including the assessment of unintended consequences of the alarm use and alternative interventions. •

Care Planning

There are times when the use of an alarm may meet the definition of a restraint, as the alarm may restrict the resident's freedom of movement and may not be easily removed by the resident.

Which Devices?

Any device, material, or equipment that meets the definition of a physical restraint must have:

- 1) Medical symptom that warrants the use of the restraint – must not be used for discipline or convenience
- 2) Physician’s order for use
- 3) Documentation that other methods were tried and failed before using restraint
- 4) Documentation that restraint chosen is the least restrictive restraint for the need

Continued

- 5) Consent form signed by resident, family member, or legal representative - also has the right to refuse restraint use, but not to demand its use when it is not deemed medically necessary.
- 6) Documentation that resident needs are monitored during restraint use
- 7) Documentation that restraint is checked every thirty minutes, and released every 2 hours for ten minutes
- 8) Documentation that regular attempts are made to reduce or discontinue use of restraint

Continued

- 9) Care plan whether or not there is a category to code the restraint on the MDS Exclude from this section items that are typically used in the provision of medical care, such as catheters, drainage tubes, casts, traction, leg, arm, neck or back braces, abdominal binders and bandages that are serving in their usual capacity to meet medical need.

AFL-17-22

• This AFL was released on October 20, 2017. This was to notify facilities of Executive Order 8-43-17, section 7. This permitted CDPH approved program waivers, which aim to expedite the recovery efforts in communities affected by the recent California wildfires and ensure hospitals and other specified health facilities stay open.

CMS Survey and Certification Memo 17-35-ALL

This S and C was issued on June 16, 2017 and gave guidance on reasonable assurance. Reasonable assurance will be applied to providers and suppliers once a termination action has been initiated by a State Survey Agency and the entity was allowed to terminate Medicare participation voluntarily before the termination action was made effective.

CMS Survey and Certification Memo 17-36-NH

S and C 17-36 was issued on June 30, 2017. This S and C provided the links to the Revised Interpretive Guidelines, F tags and the Cross walk.

We have gone over these and they are all posted on the CAHF website site as well.

CMS Survey and Certification Memo 17-37-NH

S and C 17-37 was released on July 07, 2017. This is the S and C that contained the information on new CMP tools and policies

CMS Survey and Certification Memo 17-38-LSC

S & C 17-38 was released on July 28, 2017. It provided information regarding fire door and policies needed. Here is the link to policies and tools to assist with the inspection.

<http://www.cahf.org/Programs/Physical-Plant>

CMS Survey and Certification Memo 17-41-NH

S and C 17-41 was released on August 04, 2017. This gave guidance on the survey team composition and complaint investigation.
ADD IN TEAM

CMS Survey and Certification Memo 17-42-ALL

S and C 17-42 was released on August 18, 2017. This was to inform all termination notices would posted at

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/Termination-Notices.html>

CMS Survey and Certification Memo 17-43-ALL

This S and C was released on August 22, 2017. It was to announce the launce of the Quality and Certification Oversight Reports (QCOR) Website Launch

This replaces the previous website known as Survey and Certification providing Data Quickly System.

This site will import information from CASPER and help to increase transparency and access to data

The site is <https://qcor.cms.gov>

CMS Survey and Certification Memo 17-45-ALL

This S and C was released on September 25, 2017. The purpose was to announce that CMS was to start posting the PBJ public use files and that they were accessible at <https://data.cms.gov> beginning November 1, 2017.

This is also where it was announced it would be on Nursing Home Compare if a facility had submitted their data

CMS Survey and Certification Memo 17-47-ALL

This S and C was released on September 29, 2017. This was notice to the state the Nation Background Check Program.

This was to assist States and territories that desire to institute or upgrade their systems of employee background checks to include checks of all pertinent registry sources in all States in which a potential employee has lived to check State and Federal criminal records and use FBI printing.

QUESTIONS



Thank you

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