

Nursing Home Quality Initiative Spotlight Archive

September 24, 2019

Based on Stakeholder feedback CMS has provided a separate document that will allow you to easily identify the changes from the MDS 3.0 RAI Manual v1.17 to v1.17.1. This document will be available in the related links section on the [MDS 3.0 Manual page](#)

September 18, 2019

MDS 3.0 RAI Manual v1.17.1 Now Available

The MDS 3.0 RAI Manual v1.17.1, effective October 1, 2019, is now available in the Related Links section on the [MDS 3.0 RAI Manual webpage](#).

This version of the MDS 3.0 RAI Manual incorporates clarifications to existing coding and transmission policy; it also addresses clarifications and scenarios concerning complex areas. Since the preliminary release of the manual on May 20, 2019, changes have been made to clarify which assessments swing bed providers must complete; the definition of the “interruption window” for interrupted Part A-covered stays; the coding of item I0200B; and changes related to group therapy policies, as well as other corrections. Please see the document titled “MDS 3.0 RAI Manual v1.17.1 Replacement Manual Pages and Change Tables_October 2019” posted in the Related Links section on the [MDS 3.0 RAI Manual webpage](#).

May 20, 2019

The zip file labeled “MDS 3.0 RAI Manual v1.17 October 1, 2019” is now available in the Related Links section of the MDS 3.0 RAI Manual Page: [/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/NursingHomeQualityInits/MDS30RAIManual](#)

Please note this early preliminary release is being provided in response to stakeholder feedback. The MDS 3.0 RAI Manual v1.17 contains many updates including information related to the Patient Driven Payment Model. Please check back shortly prior to October 1, 2019 for a final posting that may contain additional updates.

July 21, 2016

SNF Quality Reporting Program Provider Training: Registration Open

CMS is hosting a 1-day training event on the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP). This event will be held in Chicago, Illinois on Wednesday, August 24, 2016. The objective is to provide SNFs with assessment-based data collection instructions and updates associated with the changes in the October 1, 2016 release of the Minimum Data Set (MDS) 3.0 and other reporting requirements of the SNF QRP.

Visit the [SNF QRP Training](#) webpage for more information and to register.

June 17, 2016

SPOTLIGHT ANNOUNCEMENT

Subject: Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) Provider Training on June 21 and 22, 2016—Updates

The focus of this train-the-trainer event is to provide SNFs with an overview of the requirements under the IMPACT Act and the QRP including: Information about the Quality Measures included in the SNF QRP; guidance on coding the Minimum Data Set (MDS)--Resident Assessment Instrument (RAI) to comply with the QRP requirements; and information on data submission and reporting aimed at helping providers use the tools CMS makes available to ensure providers are compliant with the submission requirements. The training itself will take place at the OMNI Atlanta Hotel at CNN Center, 100 CNN Center, Atlanta, GA 30303-2762.

Materials Posted:

The materials for the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) Provider Training on Tuesday, June 21, 2016, and Wednesday, June 22, 2016, have been posted to the CMS website at the following URL: [/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/NursingHomeQualityInits/SNF-Quality-Reporting-Program-IMPACT-Act-2014](#). The links to the presentations are located at the bottom of the page under Downloads.

PLEASE NOTE: Participants are expected to download and bring their own presentation materials to the training. Copies of presentations will not be available at the training itself.

Availability of Web Streaming:

Since the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) Provider Training is full and registration has been disabled, we will be streaming the training live to allow as many providers as possible to participate. Additionally, recordings of the training sessions will be posted to the CMS YouTube site several weeks after the event. If you are interested in viewing the event in real time, you can access the training via streaming media at: <http://breasiaproductions.com/bptv/> between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. ET on June 21, 2016, and between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. ET on June 22, 2016.

If you were not able to attend the on-site training event, cannot view the streaming media session, and/or are interested in being notified when the YouTube recordings of the presentations are posted and/or have questions related to the logistics of the training session, please send an email to PACTraining@econometricainc.com.

June 16, 2016

Announcing a Medicare Learning Network Connects® National Provider Call:

**SNF Quality Reporting Program Call
Tuesday, July 12, 2016
1:30 - 3:00 PM Eastern Time**

Please register on the MLN Connects® Event Registration

<https://blh.ier.intercall.com/details/921e83dc25d1492b9f082790f451e130>

Registration will close at 12:00 PM ET on the day of the call or when available space has been filled.

Description

Learn about the reporting requirements for the new Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP), effective October 1, 2016. The Improving Medicare Post-Acute Care Transformation Act of 2014 (IMPACT Act) established the SNF QRP and requires the submission of standardized data.

Target Audience:

SNF providers.

Agenda

- IMPACT Act
- Measures

- Reporting requirements for FY 2018 payment determination
- Consequences of failing to meet the reporting requirements
- Reconsideration and exception/extension procedures

May 25, 2016

Subject: REGISTRATION OPEN for the Upcoming Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) Provider Training on June 21 and 22, 2016.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will be hosting a 2-day training event for the **Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP)** on Tuesday June 21, and Wednesday, June 22, 2016, at the Omni Atlanta Hotel at CNN Center. The address is 100 CNN Center, Atlanta, GA 30303-2762.

This important training is open to all SNF providers, associations, and organizations. The objective of this train-the-trainer event is to provide SNFs with an overview of the requirements under the IMPACT Act and the QRP including:

- Information about the Quality Measures included in the SNF QRP;
- Guidance on coding the Minimum Data Set (MDS)--Resident Assessment Instrument (RAI) to comply with the QRP requirements; and
- A presentation on data submission and reporting aimed at helping providers use the tools CMS makes available to ensure providers are compliant with the submission requirements.

Training will start at 8:30 a.m. ET and end at 5:00 p.m. ET on Tuesday, June 21. On Wednesday, June 22, training will start at 8:30 a.m. ET and end at 4:00 p.m. ET.

Registration for in-person training is limited to 250 people on a first-come, first-served basis. To make this training affordable, CMS has negotiated a discounted room rate of \$138 per night with the hotel. Those who register with the hotel by June 8 will receive the discounted rate on room reservations. Instructions to reserve a hotel room are in the confirmation email you will receive after you register.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to register for the June 2016 SNF QRP Provider Training.

If you have questions or need additional information about the logistics of the training session, please email the PAC Training mailbox at PACTraining@econometricainc.com.

Any attendees requesting reasonable accommodations must send an email to Glenna Davis at PACTraining@EconometricaInc.com with a copy to carol.bowers@cms.hhs.gov no later than 5 business days prior to the event.

May 12, 2016

Subject: SAVE THE DATE for the Upcoming Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) Provider Training on June 21 and 22, 2016

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will be hosting a 2-day training event for the Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) on Tuesday June 21, and Wednesday, June 22, 2016, at the Omni Atlanta Hotel at CNN Center. The address is 100 CNN Center, Atlanta, GA 30303-2762.

This important training is open to all SNF providers, associations, and organizations. The objective of this train-the-trainer event is to provide SNFs with an overview of the requirements under the IMPACT Act and the QRP including:

- Information about the Quality Measures included in the SNF QRP
- Guidance on coding the Minimum Data Set (MDS)--Resident Assessment Instrument (RAI) to comply with the QRP requirements

- Data collection and submission requirements for the fiscal year 2018 Annual Percentage Update (APU) and subsequent years

Information about how to register and discounted hotel room rates will be coming shortly. Please mark your calendars.

If you have questions or need additional information, please email the PAC Training mailbox at PACTraining@econometrica.com