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

November 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 April 1 – June 30 (Quarter 2) of Calendar Year (CY) 2022 is due with this submission deadline.

All data must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. on November 15, 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 November 15, 2022 deadline on the <u>SNF Quality</u> 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.

August 30, 2022

CMS Email Transition

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) email will be unavailable starting Friday, September 2 at 8 pm EDT, and ending on Tuesday, September 6. To ensure your email is received, please refrain from sending any emails from September 2nd through September 6th.

August 9, 2022

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

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View the list of measures required for the August 15, 2022 deadline on the <u>SNF Quality Reporting Program Data Submission Deadlines</u> webpage.

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July 29, 2022

FY2023 SNF PPS Final Rule (CMS 1765-F)

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) issued a final rule (CMS-1765-F) that provides updates to the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) for fiscal year (FY) 2023. This rule includes the adoption of one new measure: the Influenza Vaccination Coverage among Healthcare Personnel (HCP) (NQF #0431) beginning with the FY 2024 SNF QRP. In addition, CMS is revising the compliance date for the updated version of the Minimum Data Set (MDS) 3.0 assessment instrument to October 1, 2023. Finally, CMS is revising regulatory text that pertains to data submission requirements for the SNF QRP and

summarizing comments from stakeholders on SNF QRP measures under consideration for future years, inclusion of the CoreQ: Short Stay Discharge measure in a future SNF QRP program year, as well as the CMS health equity strategy for the SNF QRP.

To view the FY 2023 SNF PPS final rule, please visit: https://www.federalregister.gov/public-inspection/current

For a fact sheet on the FY 2023 SNF PPS final rule, please visit: https://www.cms.gov/newsroom

July 27, 2022

Care Compare July Release of SNF QRP Data – Now Available

The July 2022 release of the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) data is now available on <u>Care Compare</u> and <u>Provider Data Catalog (PDC)</u>.

For more information, please visit the **SNF QRP Public Reporting website**.

July 15, 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 October 2022 release.

For more information, please visit the <u>CMS SNF QRP Public Reporting website</u>.

July 13, 2022

SNF Quality Reporting Program: Non-Compliance Notifications

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is providing notifications to Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) and non-Critical Access Hospital (CAH) Swing Beds (SBs) that were determined to be out of compliance with SNF Quality Reporting Program (QRP) requirements for calendar year (CY) 2021, which will affect their fiscal year (FY) 2023 Annual Payment Update (APU). Non-compliance notifications will be distributed by the Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) and will be placed into facilities' Certification and Survey Provider Enhanced Reports (CASPER) folders in the Quality Improvement and Evaluation System (QIES) on July 13, 2022. Facilities that receive a letter of non-compliance may submit a request for reconsideration to CMS via email no later than 11:59 pm, August 11, 2022. If you receive a notice of non-compliance and would like to request a reconsideration, see the instructions in your notification letter and on the SNF Quality Reporting Reconsideration and Exception & Extension webpage.

Please note: Any reconsideration containing protected health information (PHI) will not be processed. All PHI must be removed in order for a reconsideration to be reviewed.