

The next CMS Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF)/Long Term Care (LTC) Open Door Forum scheduled for:

Date: Thursday, August 2, 2018

Start Time: 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM Eastern Time (ET);

Please dial-in at least 15 minutes before call start time.

Conference Leaders: Todd Smith & Jill Darling

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#### I. Opening Remarks

Chair – Todd Smith (Center for Medicare)

Moderator – Jill Darling (Office of Communications)

#### II. Announcements & Updates

- FY 2019 SNF PPS Final Rule
- Payroll-Based Journal Submission Reminder
  - For questions related to software or technical requirements, please email [NursingHomePBJTechIssues@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:NursingHomePBJTechIssues@cms.hhs.gov)
  - For questions related to PBJ policies, please email [NHstaffing@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:NHstaffing@cms.hhs.gov)
  - <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/NursingHomeQualityInits/Staffing-Data-Submission-PBJ.html>
- Long-Stay Hospitalization Measure - Nursing Home Compare

#### III. Open Q&A

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