June 18, 2020

LTCH Provider Preview Reports- Now Available

Long-Term Care Hospital (LTCH) Provider Preview Reports have been updated and are now available. These reports contain provider performance scores on quality measures, which will be published on LTCH Compare during the September 2020 refresh.

For more information:

- LTCH Quality Reporting Public Reporting webpage, LTCH Compare

June 17, 2020

Delayed: Release of Updated LCDS Version 5.0 and Supporting Materials

See the LTCH CARE Data Set & LTCH QRP Manual web page for additional information about the assessment instrument and accompanying guidance manual:

LTCH CARE Data Set & LTCH QRP Manual

See the LTCH Quality Reporting Training web page for additional information:

LTCH Quality Reporting Training

See the LTCH Quality Reporting Measures Information web page for additional information about the FY 2022 LTCH QRP APU Table for Reporting Assessment-Based Measures and SPADES:

LTCH Quality Reporting Measures Information

May 08, 2020

Delayed: Release of Updated Versions of Post-Acute Care Assessment Instruments (and Supporting Training)

See one of the following QRP Training web pages for additional information:

- IRF QRP Training Webpage
- LTCH QRP Training Webpage
- Home Health QRP Training Webpage
- SNF QRP Training Webpage
April 7, 2020

POSTPONED: SPADEs In-Depth Training for LTCH and IRF Providers

As the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) continues to respond to the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic we want to reduce burden where possible so that clinicians and their staff, vendors, and other partners can focus on what’s important, caring for patients. At this time, we will be postponing the SPADEs In-Depth Training for LTCH and IRF Providers scheduled for June 9 and 10, 2020 in Baltimore, MD. CMS will send out more information when this event is rescheduled at a more appropriate time.

March 27, 2020

POSTPONED: April 2020 Overview of the SPADEs Webinar for LTCH and IRF Providers

As the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) continues to respond to the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic we want to reduce burden where possible so that clinicians and their staff, vendors and other partners can focus on what’s important, caring for patients. At this time, we will be postponing the April 2020 Overview of the SPADEs Webinar for LTCH and IRF Providers on April 14, 2020 from 2:00-3:30 p.m. ET. CMS will send out more information when this event is rescheduled at a more appropriate time.

March 12, 2020

LTCH Provider Preview Reports - Now Available

Long-Term Care Hospital (LTCH) Provider Preview Reports have been updated and are now available. These reports contain provider performance scores on quality measures, which will be published on LTCH Compare during the June 2020 refresh.

For more information:

- LTCH Quality Public Reporting webpage or LTCH Compare

March 11, 2020

LTCH Compare Quarterly Refresh - Now Available

The March 2020 Quarterly Long-Term Care Hospital (LTCH) Compare refresh is now available.

Please visit the LTCH Compare website to view the updated quality data.

For more information:

- LTCH Quality Public Reporting webpage

March 9, 2020

REGISTRATION POSTPONED DUE TO COVID-19 – April 2020 Overview of the SPADEs Webinar for LTCH and IRF Providers

- The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will be hosting a webinar for providers from Long-Term Care Hospitals (LTCHs) and Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities (IRFs) on Tuesday, April 14, 2020, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. Click on one of the following links for additional information:
March 02, 2020

REGISTRATION POSTPONED DUE TO COVID-19 – SPADEs In-Depth Training for LTCH and IRF Providers

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will be hosting a 2-day training event for Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility (IRF) and Long-Term Care Hospital (LTCH) providers on June 9 and 10, 2020, in Baltimore, MD. Click on one of the following links for additional information:

- LTCH Quality Reporting Program (QRP) Training webpage.
- IRF Quality Reporting Training (QRP) Training webpage.

February 14, 2020

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is preparing to make the Long Term Care Hospital Continuity Assessment Record and Evaluation (CARE) Data Set data available via the Research Data Assistance Center (ResDAC), alongside other CMS assessment data. We will be initially releasing data from Quarter 4 2012 through Quarter 4 2018.

February 14, 2020

The submission deadline for the Long-Term Care Hospital (LTCH) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) is approaching. LTCH CARE Data Set assessment data and data submitted via the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) for July 1 – September 30 (Q3) of calendar year (CY) 2019 are due with this submission deadline.

All data must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. on February 18, 2020.

It is recommended that the applicable CMS iQIES 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 CCN and facility name.

View the list of measures required for this deadline on the LTCH Quality Reporting Data Submission Deadlines webpage.

For additional information, visit:

- iQIES Reference & Manuals
- CMS Resources for NHSN Users

Flu Season Reminder: Data collection for the FY 2021 Influenza Vaccination Coverage Among Healthcare Personnel (NQF #0431) measure began October 1, 2019 and continues through March 31, 2020. While data for the Healthcare Personnel Influenza Vaccination measure is not due until the May 18, 2020 deadline, providers are encouraged to report data on this measure as soon as they are available. For more information, visit the NHSN website.

Swingtech sends informational messages to LTCHs that are not meeting their 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 CMS Certification Number (CCN) along with any requested email updates.
February 11, 2020

FISCAL YEAR (FY)2021 and FY2022 Quick Reference Guides Available

Quick Reference Guides for FY2021 and FY2022 are now available in the Downloads section of the LTCH Quality Reporting Data Submission Deadlines webpage. The Quick Reference Guides provide high-level information on the LTCH Quality Reporting Program, including frequently asked questions and helpful links.

February 3, 2020

NEW TRAINING EVENT — Upcoming PAC QRP Reporting Requirements and FY 2020 Training Resources can be accessed from the following webpages: SNF Quality Reporting Training, IRF Quality Reporting Training, LTCH Quality Reporting Training, Home Health Quality Reporting Training.