



**Center for Clinical Standards and Quality/Survey & Certification Group**

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**TO:** State Survey Agency Directors

**FROM:** Director  
Survey and Certification Group

**SUBJECT:** Quality and Certification Oversight Reports (QCOR) Website Launch

**Memorandum Summary**

- **New Website Platform and Data System:** The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is releasing information related to the new QCOR website in an overarching initiative for increased transparency.

**Background**

Today, CMS is implementing a new initiative focused on increased transparency and access to data, to providers, suppliers, and stakeholders, as outlined below.

**QCOR**

The QCOR website launch replaces the previously known Survey and Certification Providing Data Quickly (S&C PDQ) system. S&C PDQ provided summarized survey and certification data, including results of on-site inspections of providers and suppliers. The system imports data from a variety of data platforms, such as the Certification and Surveyor Provider Enhanced Reporting (CASPER) national database. However, S&C PDQ's functionality and ease of access of information to providers and suppliers was limited, therefore CMS removed the requirements for username and passwords for accessing the data on the site, which has now become the new QCOR website.

The QCOR website can be accessed at <https://qcor.cms.gov> or the previous PDQ link, (<https://pdq.cms.hhs.gov/main.jsp>), which will redirect to QCOR. This website provides access to the results of CMS survey and certification activity over the last 10 years.

**Contact:** For any questions, please contact Ed Mortimore at [edward.mortimore@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:edward.mortimore@cms.hhs.gov).

**Effective Date:** Immediately. This information should be communicated with all survey and certification staff, their managers and the State/Regional Office training coordinators immediately.

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*The contents of this letter support activities or actions to improve patient or resident safety and increase quality and reliability of care for better outcomes.*