

CMS Actions for Nursing Homes on COVID-19

<p>2/6/2020</p>	<p>action to prepare the nation’s healthcare facilities for the COVID-19 threat. QSO 20-09-ALL CDC Update on Outbreak QSO 19-06-ALL</p>
<p>3/4/2020</p>	<p>guidance related to the screening of entrants into nursing homes, suspension of survey activities, and hospital discharge QSO 20-12-ALL QSO 20-14-NH QSO 20-13-Hospitals</p>
<p>3/10/2020</p>	<p>guidance related to the use of personal protective equipment (PPE). FDA Guidance QSO 20-17-ALL – Use of Certain Industrial Respirators CDC Guidance on COVID Infection Prevention Current Emergencies Website</p>
<p>3/10/ 2020</p>	<p>Frequently Asked Questions for Survey Agencies Suspending Non-Emergency Inspections</p>
<p>3/13/2020</p>	<p>guidance for a nationwide restriction on nonessential medical staff and all visitors. QSO 20-14-NH</p>
<p>3/20/2020</p>	<p>announced a suspension of routine inspections, and an exclusive focus on immediate jeopardy situations and infection control inspections. QSO 20-20 ALL</p>
<p>3/30/2020</p>	<p>announced that hospitals, laboratories, and other entities can perform tests for COVID-19 on people at home and in other community-based settings outside of the hospital – including nursing homes.</p>
<p>4/2/2020</p>	<p>call to action for nursing homes and state and local governments reinforcing infection control responsibilities and urging leaders to work closely with nursing homes on access to testing and PPE.</p>
<p>4/10/2020</p>	<p>FY2021 SNF Proposed Medicare Payment and SNF Value Based Payment Program</p>

4/15/2020	announced the agency will nearly double payment for certain lab tests that use high-throughput technologies to rapidly diagnose large numbers of COVID-19 cases. LTCF Transfer Scenarios
4/19/2020	announced it will require nursing homes to report cases of COVID-19 to all residents and their families, as well as directly to the CDC. On April 30, 2020, CMS codified this guidance.
4/21/2020	Recommendations to Re-Open Health Systems Guidelines
4/23/2020	Toolkit to help states with workforce challenges/ Medicare Advantage Plans COVID – 19 Workforce Concerns Medicare Advantage Flexibilities
4/27/2020	CMS Re-Evaluates Accelerated Payment Program and Suspends Advance Payments Infection Control Guidance for HHAs QSO 20-18-HHA revised Five Star System Updates QSO 20-28-NH
4/30/2020	Contract which includes a new Commission to advise the contractor for reporting to CMS on addressing patient safety in safety and quality in nursing homes.
4/30/2020	Sweeping Changes to Support the Healthcare System: Changes to Blanket Waivers
5/1/2020	CMS Independent Commission to Address Safety and Quality in Nursing Homes
5/6/2020	CMS Issues Guidance for Enhanced Flexibilities in LTCFs Home Health Agencies Hospices
5/7/2020	SNF Reporting Requirements for COVID Cases QSO 20-29-NH Interim Final Rule Approved State Medicaid Waivers Approved State Plan Amendments
5/13/2020	CMS Toolkit – State Experience
5/18/2020	SNF Reopening Recommendations QSO 20-30-NH

