

LTC Information Update: June 26, 2020

ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ **SNFS are expected to report their Quality Reporting Program (QRP) data starting Quarter 3, which begins July 1, 2020**

The March 27, 2020 Medicare Learning Network Newsletter (MLN) Exceptions and Extensions for QRP Requirements that includes SNFs applies only to Quarter 4 of 2019 (October 1-December 31, 2019) and Quarters 1 and 2 of 2020 (January 1-June 30, 2020). Providers are expected to report data and meet the QRP requirements beginning with Quarter 3, 2020 that starts July 1, 2020.

As stated in that March 27, 2020 MLN Newsletter, “In some instances, these exceptions and extensions are granted because the data collected may be greatly impacted by the response to COVID-19 and therefore should not be considered in the quality reporting program. CMS is closely monitoring the situation for potential adjustments and will update exception lists, exempted reporting periods, and submission deadlines accordingly as events occur.”

Starting with Quarter 3 that begins July 1, 2020, CMS expects providers to report their quality data. CMS will analyze the data recognizing that the COVID-19 public health emergency (PHE) remains in effect and could impact the quality data submitted. CMS will closely monitor the situation for public reporting of the data and provide any updates.

This update is posted on the CMS [SNF QRP Spotlights and Announcements webpage](#).