CMS will host an LTCH (Long Term Care Hospital) technical informational call for software developers/vendors of the LTCH CARE data submission set on Thursday, June 28, 2012. Call-in information is as follows:

Date: Thursday, June 28, 2012 Time: 12:00 P.M. – 1:30 P.M. ET

Conference Call Number: 866-712-2205

Conference Code: 4260581739

This call will cover topics such as:

- Final LTCH Data Submission Specifications (v1.00.2) related to the submission of LTCH
 CARE quality data effective October 1, 2012
- LASER (LTCH Assessment Submission Entry and Reporting) software specifications/requirements
- Submitted Q & A's

The agenda for the call will be available prior to this call on the QTSO website at https://www.gtso.com/vendor.html.

The Final LTCH CARE Data Submission Specifications (v1.00.2) are posted at http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/LTCH-Quality-Reporting/LTCHTechnicalInformation.html

The LTCH Specifications (v.1.00.2) are final and effective for October, 2012. An LTCH Submission Specification Change History document identifying changes since Draft Version 1.00.1 (Posted on 03/05/2012) is included in the specification .zip file.

LTCH software developers/vendors are encouraged to review specifications and submit questions specific to the LTCH CARE October, 2012, release to the LTCH Tech Issues mailbox (LTCHTechIssues@cms.hhs.gov). The subject line must be "VENDOR CALL". Questions to be addressed on this call must be e-mailed prior to 6:00 pm ET on June 20, 2012.

^{**} CMS strongly recommends that all LTCH software developers/vendors attend this call. **