

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
Special Open Door Forum:  
ACA Section 3004: Quality Reporting Program for Long Term Care  
Hospitals  
Friday, April 13, 2012  
2:30pm - 4:00pm Eastern Time  
Conference Call Only

The purpose of this Special Open Door Forum (ODF) is to provide information about the various types of training opportunities that will be offered to Long Term Care Hospital (LTCH) providers between 05/01/12 and 10/01/12, when the new Long Term Care Hospital (LTCH) Quality Reporting Program, mandated by Section 3004 of the Affordable Care Act, goes live.

A Final Rule announcing the LTCH Quality Reporting Program was published in the Federal Register on August 18, 2011 (Vol. 76, No. 160). (See <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-08-18/pdf/2011-19719.pdf> ) The LTCH Quality Reporting Program requires that beginning October 1, 2012, LTCH's will begin to submit quality measure data to CMS for three measures. These measures include: (1) urinary catheter-associated urinary tract (CAUTI) infection measure; (2) Central Line Associated Blood Stream Infection (CLABSI) measure; and, a measure for new or worsening pressure ulcers. Data for the CAUTI and CLABSI measures will be submitted to CMS via the Center for Disease Control's National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN). Data for the pressure ulcer measure will be collected using the new LTCH CARE Data Set.

LTCHs that do not comply with the new LTCH quality reporting program will see their yearly Federal update payments reduced by two percentage points beginning

in FY 2014. CMS anticipates adding quality measures to the reporting program in future years through rulemaking.

Many LTCH providers are unsure of what they need to do to be ready for the start of the new LTCH Quality Reporting Program. During this Special Open Door Forum, we will provide LTCH providers with information that will help them to access informational resources and training that they need in order to be well prepared by October 1, 2012.

To read more about the LTCH Quality Reporting Program and to view presentation materials, visit the LTCH Quality Reporting webpage:

<http://www.cms.gov/LTCH-Quality-Reporting/>

We look forward to your participation.

**Special Open Door Participation Instructions:**

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