

SNF WOIP PL 25-006

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TO: ALL SNF WQIP PARTICIPANTS

SUBJECT: PL 25-006 CY2024 SNF WQIP Interim Payment Report Staffing Turnover

PURPOSE:

This Policy Letter (PL) provides clarification for the Workforce Metrics Domain in the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Workforce and Quality Incentive Program (WQIP) Interim Payment for Calendar Year (CY) 2024 (Program Year 2 [PY2]).

BACKGROUND:

As outlined in the SNF WQIP PY2 (2024) Technical Program Guide, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and its contractor, Health Services Advisory Group (HSAG), calculate the Workforce Metrics Domain by obtaining data from the Provider Information file from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' (CMS) Care Compare public data catalog. This file contains general information on currently active nursing homes, including staffing information, used as part of CMS' quality rating system. For CY 2024 (PY2), DHCS and HSAG will use data from the April 2025 Care Compare refresh to calculate the Staffing Turnover Metric Measurement Area.

POLICY:

While the Care Compare data were refreshed, they were not available in time to allow DHCS and HSAG to include the Staffing Turnover Metric Measurement Area in the CY2024 (PY2) SNF WQIP Interim Payment Report. The Staffing Turnover Metric Measurement Area will be included in the SNF WQIP CY 2024 (PY2) Final Payment Report.

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