

The Final Rule to Reform the Requirements for Long-Term Care Facilities

Implementation phases by provision

Phase 1 (This section is partially implemented in Phase 2 and/or 3)

- Resident Rights and Facility Responsibilities*
- Freedom from Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation*
- Admission, Transfer and Discharge*
- Resident Assessment
- Comprehensive, Person-Centered Care Planning*
- Quality of Life
- Quality of Care*
- Physician Services
- Nursing Services*
- Pharmacy Services*
- Laboratory, radiology and other diagnostic services
- Dental Services*
- Food and Nutrition*
- Specialized Rehabilitation
- Administration (Facility Assessment – Phase 2)*
- Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement* – QAA Committee
- Infection Control – Program*
- Physical Environment*

Phase 2

- Behavioral Health Services*
- Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement* – QAPI Plan
- Infection Control – Facility Assessment and Antibiotic Stewardship*
- Compliance and Ethics*
- Physical Environment – Smoking policies*

Phase 3

- Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement* – Implementation of QAPI
- Infection Control – Infection Control Preventionist*
- Compliance and Ethics*
- Physical Environment – call lights at resident bedside*
- Training*

**This section is partially implemented in other phases*