

Nursing Home Pay for Performance (P4P) 2019 Application Modifications

Modification Category	Measure/Domain	Notes
<b>Scoring and Point Changes to Existing Measures</b>	Quality of Life Domain	Total points available changed from 48 to 47 points
	Quality of Care Domain	Total points available changed from 52 to 53 points
	Physical Environment	Measure has been split into two scored measures. The minimum requirements from Application Year 2018 have been divided into a Physical Environment-Appearance measure for 2 points and Physical Environment-Noise Management measure for 3 points.
	QAPI - Based on a Quality Measure	Measure 09 QAPI now includes 1 scored measure down from 3 scored measures in 2018.Total points for the QAPI measure has decreased from 7 to 5 points.
	DON and NHA Retention	Measures combined from previous years. Points will now be awarded based on "DON OR NHA retention rate of three (3) years or more. Full points will be given for at least one position meeting the retention rate." Measure changed from 4 (combined score for the two separate measures) to 2 points.
<b>Deleted Measures</b>	QAPI - Based on a Quality Measure (9.1 in 2018 application)	Measure Description: "Submit your detailed QAPI plan as required under 42 CFR §483.75."
	QAPI - Based on a Quality Measure (9.3 in 2018 application)	Measure Description: "Updated QAPI self-assessment tool. For help with the Quality Improvement Process, download the self-assessment tool from ( <a href="https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/Downloads/Survey-and-Cert-Letter-13-05.pdf">https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/Downloads/Survey-and-Cert-Letter-13-05.pdf</a> ). If you need further assistance regarding QAPI, please visit ( <a href="https://telligenqinqio.com/our-work/nursing-home-care/">https://telligenqinqio.com/our-work/nursing-home-care/</a> )."
<b>New Measures</b>	Nationally Reported Quality Measures Scores - Narrative	Previous minimum requirement which has been separated into its own measure. This new measure will have 1 point available. Description: "Provide a narrative based upon the resident population you serve, explaining the three Quality Measures that you received the lowest self-scoring points on in measures 16.2 – 16.9."
	Antibiotics Stewardship/Infection Prevention & Control - Quantitative	Previous minimum requirement which has been separated into its own measure. This new measure will be worth 2 points. Description: "Submit your Casper Quality Measure Data on UTI (L) N024.1 and Catheter Inserted/Left in Bladder (L) N026.02 for the third and fourth quarter of 2018. To receive points, your two quarter average must be better than state average OR you must show improvement from the third and fourth quarter of 2018."
<b>Measure Definition &amp; Minimum Requirement Changes</b>	Enhanced Dining	Updated minimum requirement: "Include the resident information from your Facility Assessment and how that was used to develop your menu options."
		Move the following minimum requirement to the Measure Description: "Supporting documentation can be resident signed testimonials, resident council minutes, minutes from another advisory group and photographs of changes in the dining atmosphere."
	Enhanced Personal Care	Updated minimum requirement: "Evidence including color photographs that the bathing atmosphere includes home décor."
		Deleted a minimum requirement: Documentation must include color photographs of the décor associated with the enhancements.
	End of Life Program	Updated minimum requirement: "Two (2) signed testimonials from non-management staff describing end of life planning at your home."
	Connection and Meaning	Updated minimum requirement: "Describe what opportunities you have identified to provide connection and meaning to your residents that reflects the unique individual needs of the residents in the community. In addition, describe how you incorporated those opportunities to foster the connection and meaning into the residents' daily lives."
		Updated minimum requirement: "In addition, include signed testimonials from eight (8) residents or family members and two (2) non-management staff, that explicitly discusses and identifies shared decision making and ways residents stay connected to the world."
	Trauma-Informed Care	Updated minimum requirement: Submit training objectives and proof of actual trainings for your staff on trauma-informed care. (Resources : <a href="https://www.samhsa.gov/nctic/trauma-interventions">https://www.samhsa.gov/nctic/trauma-interventions</a> ; <a href="https://alamedacountytraumainformedcare.org/caregivers-and-providers">https://alamedacountytraumainformedcare.org/caregivers-and-providers</a> ; you may also find additional resources from your local mental health center.)
	Person-Directed Care Training	Deleted minimum requirement: " Staff Competency Based on your facility assessment: - identify the top three (3) diagnoses in your home, - the distinctive competencies needed to provide care for those diagnoses, - and the training plan to improve staff competencies."
	Daily Schedules and Care Planning	Updated minimum requirement: "Four (4) signed resident testimonials that prove implementation of the resident's choices, preferences and daily schedules."
		Updated minimum requirement: "Four (4) signed testimonials from staff who attended and participated in the care planning process. "
	Physical Environment	Updated minimum requirement: "• Track your audible alarm usage by type and frequency monthly. Each active bed, door, chair & wander guard/code alert user must be tracked every month. • In addition to audible alarms and overhead paging, describe any improvement in the reduction of other extraneous noise from 2017 to 2018. • Include a description of strategies used to reduce the extraneous noise. If no improvement is noted, explain the difficulties experienced."
		Updated minimum requirement: "Current policy for absence of overhead paging except in emergency situations."
	QAPI - Based on a Quality Measure (9.2 in 2018 application)	Updated minimum requirement: "A narrative of the QI project that includes the quality measure addressed, the problem statement, baseline data, intended goals, tools/processes utilized, and final outcomes, including documented data trends through the duration of the project. "
Deleted minimum requirement: "Evidence of education/training related to the QI process chosen."		
Updated minimum requirement: "Describe the process implemented to ensure that all staff, residents and their families are aware of and have the opportunity to support the QI project."		
Volunteer Program	Updated minimum requirement: "Document the process on how the home is kept informed of the project and its progress . Methods of communicating the QI project must include a statement of objectives, how these will be measured, why this project is important, and how it will improve the quality of life/quality of care for residents and staff. "	
	Updated minimum requirement: "Four (4) signed testimonials from residents participating in a volunteer project. These testimonials should reflect four (4) different projects. "	
Reducing Avoidable Hospitalizations	Updated measure description and minimum requirements for clarity purposes only.	
Antibiotics Stewardship/Infection Prevention & Control	Updated minimum requirement: "Complete and submit only Sections 1 through 3 without noted attachments of the CDC Infection Prevention and Control Assessment Tool ( <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/infectioncontrol/pdf/icar/tcf.pdf">https://www.cdc.gov/infectioncontrol/pdf/icar/tcf.pdf</a> )."	