

Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility (IRF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) Training Archive

May 8, 2020

Delayed: Release of Updated Versions of IRF and LTCH Assessment Instruments (and Supporting Training)

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is delaying the release of updated versions of the item sets needed to support the Transfer of Health (TOH) Information Quality Measures and new or revised Standardized Patient Assessment Data Elements (SPADEs) in order to provide maximum flexibilities for providers of Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities (IRFs) and Long-Term Care Hospitals (LTCHs) to respond to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE).

The release of updated versions of the IRF Patient Assessment Instrument (IRF-PAI) and the LTCH Continuity Assessment Record and Evaluation Data Set (LTCH CARE Data Set) will be delayed until October 1st of the year that is at least 1 full fiscal year after the end of the COVID-19 PHE. For example, if the COVID-19 PHE ends on September 20, 2020, LTCHs and IRFs will be required to begin collecting data using the updated versions of the item sets beginning with patients discharged on October 1, 2021.

Following the PHE, CMS will announce training opportunities for providers via this webpage and announcements sent out via email distribution lists and posted on the Medicare Learning Network.

If you would like to be notified of future training events, please email the [PAC Training mailbox](#).

March 16, 2020

NEW TRAINING EVENT – Introduction to the IRF QRP Web-Based Training

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is offering a web-based training course for those who are new to the Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility (IRF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP). The [Introduction to the IRF QRP](#) course is designed to provide a general overview of the program as well as a variety of links and resources for additional information. Specific topics include:

- Lesson 1: What is the Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Quality Reporting Program (IRF QRP)?
- Lesson 2: The Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Patient Assessment Instrument (IRF-PAI)
- Lesson 3: IRF-PAI Data Submission
- Lesson 4: IRF QRP Resources

If you have technical questions or feedback regarding the training, please email the [PAC Training mailbox](#). Content-related questions should be submitted to the [IRF QRP Help Desk](#).