

## LONG-TERM CARE, HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE

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## CMS PUBLISHES QAPI TOOLKIT AND OTHER RESOURCES

Originally due last Fall, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") has published the Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement ("QAPI") Provider Toolkit and Provider Resources for skilled nursing facilities ("SNFs"). These items have been published on a new CMS website dedicated to helping SNFs develop and implement a QAPI program, as required by the Affordable Care Act ("ACA").

QAPI is a data-driven, proactive approach to improving the quality of life, care and services in SNFs. Both elements, Quality Assurance ("QA") and Performance Improvement ("PI"), are utilized in complementary ways to systematically identify and improve resident care. The QAPI program will involve members at all levels of the organization. Further information is available in our prior QAPI-related posts.

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