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Attention Provider Type 19 (Nursing Facility):

Update Regarding Patient Driven Payment Model (PDPM) and Minimum Data Set (MDS) Changes

Effective October 1, 2019, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is requiring the Patient Driven Payment Model (PDPM) to be used under the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Prospective Payment System (PPS) for classifying Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) patients in a covered Part A stay.

Minimum Data Set (MDS) Changes:

The assessment schedule under PDPM is significantly more streamlined and simpler to understand than the assessment schedule under the Resource Utilization Group (RUG)-III classification used in Nevada. The changes to the assessment schedule under PDPM have no effect on any Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1987 (OBRA)-related assessment requirements at this time.

Nevada has chosen not to implement an Optional State Assessment (OSA) for PPS assessments. The existing 14-day, 30-day, 60-day and 90-day PPS assessments will be eliminated from the Medicare assessment schedule. The elimination of these assessments impacts Nevada's current Medicaid case mix system, because dual-eligible residents subject to the current Medicare assessment schedule will no longer receive 14-day, 30-day, 60-day and 90-day assessments. However, Nevada will require an OSA be completed starting July 1, 2021, to replace the OBRA Assessments that will not be required for the additional PDPM implementation effective October 1, 2021.