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S&C 16-26-NH: FY2016 TO FY2017 NURSING HOME ACTION PLAN

Dear Nursing Facility/Home Administrator

CMS recently released S&C letter 16-26-NH, announcing the release of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-2017 Nursing Home Action Plan. The Survey and Certification Program Nursing Home Action Plan guides CMS' efforts to continue to improve nursing home safety and quality. The Plan outlines five inter-related and coordinated approaches – or principles of action – for nursing home quality, ultimately aligning with CMS' main goals.

Nursing Home Action Plan is posted on the CMS website at:

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/CertificationandCompliance/Downloads/2016-2017-Nursing-Home-Action-Plan.pdf>

For further information regarding the release of this Action Plan, please review the S&C letter 16-26-NH, which can be found at:

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/Downloads/Survey-and-Cert-Letter-16-26.pdf>

Thank you for your continued commitment to the health and safety of nursing home residents. If you have any questions, please contact your local RCS Field Manager.

Sincerely,

Candace Goehring, Director
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