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Aging and Long-Term Support Administration
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S&C: 17-07-NH ADVANCE COPY - REVISIONS TO STATE OPERATIONS MANUAL
(SOM), APPENDIX PP-REVISED REGULATIONS AND TAGS

Dear Nursing Facility/Home Administrator:

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has published as advanced copy on Revisions to State Operations Manual (SOM), Appendix PP-Revised Regulations and Tags on November 9, 2016. The regulation goes into effect in three phases beginning with the first phase on November 28, 2016.

The final rule is accessible online, Federal Registry - Reform of Requirements to LTC Facilities, at: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/10/04/2016-23503/medicare-and-medicaid-programs-reform-of-requirements-for-long-term-care-facilities>

Additional information and S&C 17-07-NH can be found online at:
<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/Downloads/Survey-and-Cert-Letter-17-07.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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