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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

Home and Community Living Administration
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**EXPIRED CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID (CMS) MEMOS AND UPDATED
PRACTICE GUIDANCE**

Dear Nursing Facility/Home Administrator

On September 2, 2025, Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) made updates to the **Policy & Memos to States and CMS Locations page**. CMS made the following changes:

On 4/28/25, the following CMS memos expired:

MEMO #:	MEMO NAME/LINK:	UPDATED GUIDANCE	SUPERSEDED MB/DPL #:
10-28-NH	Point of Care Devices and Infection Control in Nursing Homes EXPIRED	Refer to F880 in Appendix PP of CMS' State Operations Manual for current infection control requirements and guidance regarding fingerstick devices and blood glucose meters.	MB R10-039 – Previously rescinded
S&C 13-09-NH	Clarification of Interpretive Guidance at F Tag 441- Laundry and Infection Control EXPIRED	Refer to F880 in Appendix PP of CMS' State Operations Manual for current infection control requirements and guidance regarding water management.	MB R14-022 – Previously rescinded
QSO-21-19-NH	Interim Final Rule - COVID-19 Vaccine Immunization Requirements for Residents and Staff EXPIRED	Refer to QSO-25-11-NH Long-Term Care (LTC) Facility Acute Respiratory Illness Reporting Requirements for current requirements regarding respiratory illness reporting, and F887 in Appendix PP of CMS' State Operations Manual for current requirements and guidance regarding COVID-19 immunization requirements.	MB R21-058 & DPL NH #2021-043
QSO-24-08-NH	Enhanced Barrier Precautions in Nursing Homes to Prevent Spread of Multidrug-resistant Organisms (MDROs) EXPIRED	Refer to F880 in Appendix PP of CMS' State Operations Manual for current guidance regarding enhanced barrier precautions in nursing homes to prevent the spread of multidrug-resistant organisms (MDROs).	MB R24-032 & DPL NH #2024-019
S&C-14-25-NH	Advance Copy – Single Use Device Reprocessing under Tag F441.	Refer to F880 in Appendix PP of CMS' State Operations Manual for	MB R14-022 previously rescinded

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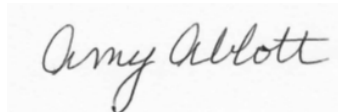
	Revisions to Interpretive Guidance in Appendix PP, State Operations Manual (SOM) on Infection Control EXPIRED	current infection control requirements and guidance single use devices.	
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On 12/31/12, the following CMS Memo expired:

MEMO #:	MEMO NAME:	UPDATED GUIDANCE	SUPERSEDED MB/DPL #:
S&C-12-22-NH	Healthcare Associated Infections (HAI) Prevention Program Environmental Scan of State Survey Agency EXPIRED	This environmental scan ended in 2012 and is no longer in effect.	N/A

If you have any questions, please contact RCSpolicy@dshs.wa.gov.

Sincerely,



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