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CMS Update – COVID-19 Emergency Declaration Blanket Waivers for Health Care Providers

CMS is empowered to take proactive steps through 1135 waivers as well as, where applicable, authority granted under section 1812(f) of the Social Security Act and rapidly expand the Administration's aggressive efforts against COVID-19.

The complete waivers: <u>COVID-19 Emergency Declaration Blanket Waivers for Health</u> Care Providers

NOTE: Long-Term Care Facilities and Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) and/or Nursing Facilities (NFs) – start on page 11. No change to previous listed waivers. Additions of new waivers are highlighted on page 16. New waivers are related to: Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement (QAPI), In-Service Training, Detailed Information Sharing for Discharge Planning for Long-Term Care (LTC) Facilities and Clinical Records.

LTC Newsletters 2020

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the ISDH Division of Long Term Care (LTC) has developed many LTC Newsletters. These newsletters contain important information and updates from ISDH, Centers of Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), and Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC). The entire list of LTC Newsletters are available at the following websites:

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