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Information Memorandum

Nursing Facility Providers

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From: Nursing Facility Licensing Unit (NFLU)

Subject: **NF Resources for transition to Patient Driven Payment Model (PDPM) & RAI Coordinator Change Announcement**

Dear Nursing Facility Administrator,

Please share this information with your facility staff responsible for completing MDS assessments.

In anticipation of the Medicare A transition from RUG-IV to PDPM on October 1, 2019 skilled facilities must prepare in advance.

This is a reminder there will be **no overlap between RUG-IV and PDPM systems.**

RUG-IV will end on 9/30/19 and PDPM will officially begin 10/1/19.

In order to receive a RUG-IV HIPPS code that may be used in billing for services furnished prior to October 1, 2019, you must have an assessment with an ARD set on or prior to September 30, 2019. The usual 14-day completion period and 14-day transmission period still apply.

For residents admitted prior to October 1, 2019 but whose stays continue past that date, you must complete a one-time transitional Interim Payment Assessment (IPA) with an ARD set no later than 10/7/19 to receive a PDPM HIPPS code for use in billing services furnished on or after October 1, 2019.

Please refer to the following resources. The CMS web page below contains PDPM Fact Sheets updated by CMS on 8/30/19. Be aware that definitions related to the Interrupted Stay Policy and Group Therapy have changed.

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/SNFPPS/PDPM.html>

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The final version of the RAI manual **has not** yet been posted. Continue to check the website below for the pending changes.

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/NursinghomeQualityInits/MDS30RAIManual.html>

In addition: Oregon's new RAI Coordinator is Joy Ramsby. Joy has been with DHS, Nursing Facility Survey Unit for 18 years and will be available as your MDS coding resource specialist.

Please direct questions regarding this alert to Joy Ramsby @ 503-407-1488 or Joy.M.Ramsby@state.or.us

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