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NF-22-019 – Provider Alert

Date: March 10, 2022

To: All Nursing Facility Providers

From: Nursing Facility Licensing Unit (NFLU)

Subject: **UPDATED CMS GUIDANCE FOR VISITATION AND
COVID-19 TESTING REQUIREMENTS**



Attention Nursing Facility Administrators,

Please take time to review the updated visitation and COVID-19 testing guidance issued and revised by CMS on March 10, 2022:

- [CMS Memo QSO-20-38-NH \(revised 03/10/2022\) - Updated Testing Guidance](#)
- [CMS Memo QSO-20-39-NH \(revised 03/10/2022\) - Updated Visitation Guidance](#)

Although this information was distributed widely by CMS, NFLU is also sending this to ensure all Nursing Facility Administrators and their staff review the updated information.

ePOC Practice Tip:

Facility Administration - ASPEN Web: e POC (electronic Plan of Correction) is the centralized worksite for completing all steps in CMS & State survey POC processing including:

- *Receiving and reviewing Statements of Deficiencies (SODs),*
- *Formulating POCs,*
- *Submitting POCs and if desired,*
- *Attaching supporting Informal Dispute Resolution request & documents.*

Register and maintain an active ePOC account to efficiently access your surveys, and at no cost to your facility. ePOC registration passwords are effective for 90 days and must be renewed timely to maintain an active ePOC account. As an active ePOC user, you will receive notifications of pending password expiration with renewal instructions. It may also be advantageous to have multiple ePOC registrants for your facility to ensure an active ePOC account is maintained at all times. For ePOC assistance and/or questions contact QTSO (<https://www.qtso.com>).

