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### **NF-22-048 – Provider Alert**

Date: September 7, 2022

To: All Nursing Facility Providers

From: Safety, Oversight and Quality Unit,  
Office of Aging and People with Disabilities

Subject: **Review CMS Memo QSO-22-15-NH Revised 08/29/2022**

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Please review the Update to COVID-19 Emergency Declaration Blanket Waivers for Specific Providers within [CMS Memo QSO-22-15-NH](#).

### **Memorandum Summary**

- CMS continues to review the need for existing emergency blanket waivers issued in response to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Public Health Emergency (PHE).
- Over the course of the COVID-19 PHE, skilled nursing facilities/nursing facilities (SNFs/NFs), inpatient hospices, intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities (ICF/IIDs), and end-stage renal disease (ESRD) facilities have developed policies or other practices that we believe mitigates the need for certain waivers.
- Applicable waivers will remain in effect for hospitals and critical access hospitals (CAH).
- CMS will end the specified waivers in two groups:
  - 60 days from issuance of this memorandum
  - 30 days from issuance of this memorandum
- CMS is providing more information related to waivers of the Nurse Aide Training Competency and Evaluation requirements.

If you have licensing questions, please contact your licensing team:

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