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Attention Nursing Facilities: Level of Care (LOC) Assessment for Specialty Care Recipients

Effective immediately, when accepting a specialty care recipient (e.g., Pediatric Care I/II or Ventilator Care), nursing facilities will now have a 72-hour grace period from date of admission to complete the specialty Level of Care (LOC) assessment as long as the standard LOC and Preadmission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) are completed prior to admission. In the case that a standard LOC and PASRR are not completed prior to admission, normal penalties will be enforced. Nursing facilities should submit a nursing facility tracking form after the specialty LOC has been completed.