To: Long Term Care Facilities  
From: Phyllis Brighton, Colorado MDS 3.0 Help Desk  
Date: August 29, 2011  
Re: MDS 3.0 News and Updates

MDS 3.0 Training for Long Term Care and Swing Bed Facilities * FREE *
Sign up now for the Loveland training scheduled Sept. 20 and 21. Sign up on this Web page – click on MDS training and resources. The training will be held at the Best Western Plus – 5542 E US Highway 34. Phone: 970/667-7810.
The IDT members are invited for the first morning along with the MDS coordinators. The MDS 3.0 will be discussed by section to include Sections A, B, C, D, E, F, K, O, Q and the “Final Rule – 2012” also will be discussed. That afternoon the rest of the sections and Chapter 2 of the CMS MDS 3.0 Manual will be covered. The second morning will include PPS/Med A, Documentation, Submission, and “The Final Rule – 2012.” The first afternoon and second morning are directed to MDS Coordinators. The second afternoon will be devoted to the CNAs and SDCs. All MDS contributors along with NHAs and DONs are welcome to stay the full two days.

A training in Pueblo will be scheduled in October.

Section E0800 – Rejection of Care – Presence & Frequency.
“Do not include behaviors that already have been addressed (e.g., by discussion or care planning with the resident or family), and/or determined to be consistent with resident values, preferences, or goals”. The key here is the underlined portion of this directive. For example, if a resident refuses showers but prefers bed baths – that is his/her preference and should not continue to be entered into Section E. (Put “0”) However, if she/he is combative on occasion re: “cleaning up” and it is during the look back period, then Section E0800 should be marked 1, 2, or 3.

The Final Rule – 2012
1. New MDS Assessment Schedule (Grace Days)  
2. Allocation of Group Therapy Minutes  
3. Revised Student Supervision Provisions  
4. EOT OMRA and New Resumption Items  
5. New PPS Assessment: COT (Change of Therapy) OMRA

Regarding #1 – Grace Days have been shortened as follows: To begin Oct. 1 where ARD falls on or after Oct. 1.
- 5 day (01) Days 1-8
- 14 day (02) Days 13-18 - (not 11-19)
- 30 day (03) Days 27-33 - (not 21-34)
- 60 day (04) Days 57-63 - (not 50-64)
- 90 day (15) Days 87-93 - (not 80-94)

Review the rest of The Final Rule will be in the future. More information may be obtained from (www.cms.gov/SNFPPS/03_RUGIVEdu12.asp#TopOfPage)