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CMS – COVID-19 Emergency Declaration Blanket Waivers for Health Care Providers

CMS is empowered to take proactive steps through 1135 waivers as well as, where applicable, authority granted under section 1812(f) of the Social Security Act and rapidly expand the Administration’s aggressive efforts against COVID-19.

The complete waivers: [COVID-19 Emergency Declaration Blanket Waivers for Health Care Providers](#)

NOTE: Long-Term Care Facilities and Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) and /or Nursing Facilities (NFs) – start on page 9. Additions and/or changes to current waivers are highlighted. On pages 11-12 addition of Physician Services – Physician Delegation of Tasks in SNFs.

QUICKINAR – "Best Practices for Transition of Care Between Nursing Homes and Dialysis Centers During the COVID-19 Pandemic"

The Island Peer Review Organization (IPRO) ESRD Network 9 holds the contract with CMS to oversee quality improvement activities, assures access to care for patients with dialysis and transplant facilities and manages patient grievances. IPRO ESRD Network 9 has prepared a “Quickinar” on the transition of care between nursing homes and

dialysis centers during the COVID-19 pandemic. This program hopes to improve communication and build relationship during this challenging time.

Title: Best Practices for Transition of Care between Nursing Homes and Dialysis Centers during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Date: Tuesday, April 28, 2020 1:00PM EDT

[Registration](#)

Call in: 1-415-655-0002 **Access code:** 612 269 723

IMPORTANT – REDCAP INSTRUCTIONS – INVALID RETURN CODES

Invalid Return Codes: When a facility completes entering data from their line lists, after the last entry you will get a message “**Save and return later.**” You must either bookmark the link or send the link to yourself via email as indicated in attached instructions (please see highlighted areas of instructions). If you try to use another link it will return as an invalid code. That link is specific to the facility and user that input the data. Attempts to use another staff person’s link with the code you received will also return invalid. These are security measures.

If you find that you are encountering an invalid link or return code, you can create a new facility entry for your new cases. You will just need to fill out the facility demographics section again. Then ensure you save the code and link and use for future entries. After saving the correct code and link the problem keeps recurring please contact ISDHRedcap@isdh.in.gov .

[REDCAP INSTRUCTIONS](#)

Indiana State Department of Health COVID-19 Resource Center

Please consult the [Indiana State Department of Health COVID-19 webpage](#) for updated news and guidance on the COVID-19 outbreak. Updates will be made as new information becomes available. Please contact your healthcare provider if you experience symptoms such as fever, cough and shortness of breath and have a recent history of travel to areas affected by COVID-19 or contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19.

General questions from the public or healthcare provider inquiries about COVID-19 may be directed to the ISDH COVID-19 Call Center at the **toll-free number 877-826-0011 (available 24/7)**.

