

TO BE RESCINDED

173-45-10

Clinical quality indicators.

For the purpose of allowing comparison between facilities and to state-wide averages, the department of aging shall incorporate into the consumer guide each facility's scores on the clinical quality indicators calculated by the United States health care financing administration for purposes of the medicare and medicaid programs.

- (A) The department shall define each of the quality indicators in the consumer guide. The department shall also indicate which of the quality indicators are risk adjusted, and those that constitute sentinel health events.
- (B) For each facility for which data is available, the department shall include the nursing facility's scores on the clinical quality indicators, together with the statewide average score for each clinical quality indicator. The scores shall be presented as percentages.
- (C) The department shall include with the scores a disclaimer indicating that lower scores may not indicate that a facility provides inadequate care. A facility's scores on the clinical quality indicators serve as a flag to prompt further inquiry about the care and services provided by the facility. Therefore, in addition to the disclaimer, the department shall provide users with an automatic link to the facility's related survey findings, and a list of issues to consider when choosing a nursing facility.
- (D) The department of aging shall update the clinical quality indicator data displayed in accordance with this rule in January, April, July and October of each year, using the most recent resident assessment data available to the department.
- (E) As used in this rule, "clinical quality indicator" means a measure of an aspect of the physical or mental conditions of the residents of a nursing facility that is derived from data taken from resident assessment instruments submitted by nursing facilities for purposes of the medicare and medicaid programs, and is calculated in accordance with section 173.56 of the Revised Code.

Effective:

R.C. 119.032 review dates: 09/21/2005

Certification

Date

Promulgated Under: 119.03
Statutory Authority: R.C. 173.02, R.C. 173.57 (R.C. 173.57 was rescinded in Am. Sub. H.B. 95 of the 125th G.A.)
Rule Amplifies: R.C. 173.45, R.C. 173.50, R.C. 173.51, R.C. 173.52, R.C. 173.56 (These statutes were rescinded in Am. Sub. H.B. 95 of the 125th G.A.)
Prior Effective Dates: 1/12/01