June 15, 2023

### LTC COVID-19 Update

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### **Today's Topics**



- IDOH Leadership Conference Suzanne Williams
- Highlights Southeastrans Carve out and Webinar details, Limited Criminal History, MDS changes Section A & Section B, Next week's Presenters (Brenda Buroker and Tammy Alley) – Lori Davenport
- Q&A

Hints & Helps for Housekeeping, a webinar on June 27, details <u>HERE</u>
SNF DON Workshop, an in-person workshop on June 28-29, details <u>HERE</u>
IHCA/INCAL Convention & Expo – Spotlight on Quality, July 31-Aug 1, details HERE

Leadership Conference Suzanne Williams

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Southeastrans – NEMT Nursing Facility Carve-out Readiness

### Are you ready?

- Nursing facilities will no longer use Southeastrans / Verida after June 30, 2023.
- Effective July 1, 2023 Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) is changing its nonemergency medical transportation (NEMT) policy.
- All nonemergency medical transportation for fee-for –service
   Medicaid nursing residents will be carved out .



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### What you need to do....

- Nonemergency BLS or ALS ambulance transports that meet medical necessity for basic life support (BLS) or advanced life support (ALS) services, nursing facilities will schedule trips directly with ambulance transportation providers.
- Ambulance providers will then bill the state.
- Nursing facilities will not need to file claims.



### What you need to do ... continued

- For all other NEMT example, ambulatory and wheelchair vans ... nursing facilities will schedule directly with transportation providers and will pay them directly.
- Nursing facilities will receive an NEMT add-on to their per diem rate beginning July 1, 2023.
- This amount will be reflected in the July rate letters.



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#### **Recommended Actions**

- 1. Review transportation needs of current residents.
- Contact local transportation providers to assess transport availability and to discuss potential contracting.
- 3. Review standing orders scheduled past June 30, 2023, to ensure transportation is secured for these trips.



### Recommended Actions – continued

- Provide education for all facility staff responsible for arranging and paying for transportation, ensuring they understand there is a different payment process for nonemergency BLS and ALS transports and all other NEMT transports.
- Provide an update for your resident and resident representatives related to the changes.



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### **TIPS to communicate changes**

- Utilize care plan meetings
- New admissions information exchange in handbooks
- Resident Council meeting
- Newsletters
- · Family council meetings
- Mailers



# Indiana Health Care Association is hosting a webinar

- NEMT Nursing Facility Carve-Out Readiness webinar
  - Today June 15, 2023
  - 1:30-2:30 pm EST
  - Details here: https://www.ihca.org/events/nemt-nursing-facility-carve-out-readiness/
- · Join Teams Meeting
- Click here to join the meeting
- Meeting ID: 229 997 672 278
- Passcode: sRv8DR

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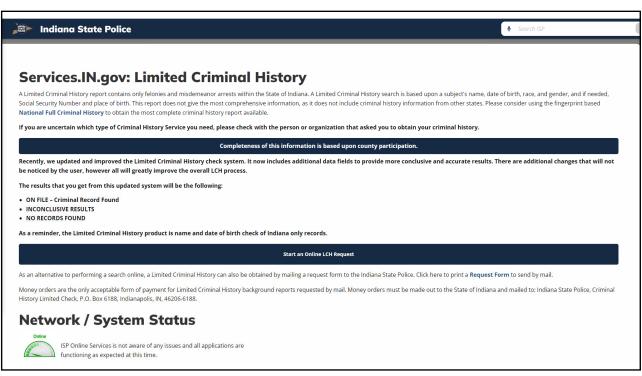
#### **Limited Criminal History**

### **LTC Newsletter 2023-12 June 1, 2023**

- Pre-Employment Background Checks
  - Limited criminal history background check for all unlicensed staff
  - Indiana State Police (ISP) for more information
    - · Top left click menu
      - · Click Criminal History Services



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### Surveyors will ask for .....

- Evidence that a limited criminal history background check, per ISP requirement, has been completed.
  - Also:
- A search of the applicable professional registry should also be completed for any staff member with a professional certification or licensure.



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**MDS Changes** 

## **Highlights to MDS Section A Changes**

- Incorporation of the Standardized Patient Assessment Data Elements (SPADES).
- Race, Ethnicity, and Preferred Language, allowing for standardized data collection across all health care settings.
- Two new QRP Measures which capture Transfer of Health Information to the provider and to the patient, beginning October 1, 2023, on all Part A PPS discharges.



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## **Highlights to MDS Section B Changes**

- Incorporation of the Standardized Patient Assessment Data Elements (SPADES).
- Health Literacy, which allows for standardized data collection across all health care settings.



Brenda Buroker and Tammy Alley Presenting Next week

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