

# Appendix PP Changes Crosswalk March 2025

F-Tag	Changes Made	Revised Policies/Tools
<b>F-605 Right to be Free from Chemical Restraints</b> (added language from F-758 and this tag removed)	—Revised information about chemical restraints and unnecessary psychotropic medications. —Added language from <b>F-758</b> about psychotropic medication use, GDRs, informed consent, PRN use, and documentation of attempted nonpharmacological interventions unless deemed clinically contraindicated. —Updated definitions for adequate indications for use and adverse consequences.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use of Psychotropic Medication(s) Policy</li> <li>• Gradual Dose Reduction of Psychotropic Drugs Policy</li> <li>• Restraint Free Environment Policy</li> <li>• Clinically Contraindicated Dosage Reduction Form</li> <li>• Psychotropic Medication Informed Consent</li> <li>• Psychotropic Medication Use Process Auditing Chart Review</li> <li>• Restraints and Alarms Training Presentation</li> <li>• Restraints and Alarms Training Presentation Pre-Post Test</li> <li>• Schizophrenia &amp; Related Forms Diagnosis Process Auditing Chart Review</li> <li>• Binder Basics: Medication Management</li> <li>• Nonpharmacological Interventions Training Presentation</li> <li>• Nonpharmacological Interventions Training Presentation Pre-Post Test</li> <li>• F-605 (<b>was F-758</b>) Right to be Free from Chemical Restraints POC and Immediate Jeopardy Removal Plan</li> </ul>
<b>F-620 Admissions Policy</b>	—Added language to emphasize if an individual does not have legal access to the resident's funds, the facility may not request or require the individual to pay the facility. —It also emphasizes that any language contained in an agreement that seeks to hold a third party personally responsible for paying the facility would be noncompliant.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Admissions Policy</li> </ul>
<b>(NEW) F-627 &amp; F-628 Transfer &amp; Discharge</b> (guidance and language moved from F-622 through F-626 & F-660 & F-661 and these tags are removed)	—Combines guidance from <b>F-622 through F-626 &amp; F-660 &amp; F-661</b> under <b>two NEW tags (F-627 &amp; F-628)</b> . —Updates guidance to address inappropriate discharges. —Removed "facility-initiated" and "resident-initiated" verbiage from the language in <b>(NEW tags) F-627 &amp; F-628</b> .	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bed Hold Notice Policy</li> <li>• Readmission to Facility Policy</li> <li>• Therapeutic Leave Policy</li> <li>• Transfer and Discharge Including AMA Policy</li> <li>• Discharge Summary Policy*</li> <li>• Discharge Planning Process Policy*</li> <li>• Bed Hold Notice Form</li> <li>• Required Transfer and Discharge Notices Flowsheet</li> <li>• Transfer and Discharge Including AMA Policy Review Test</li> <li>• F-628 Noncompliance with Notice Requirements for Hospital Transfer POC</li> <li>• F-628 Failure to Provide Notification of Bed Hold POC</li> <li>• Notice of Discharge to Ombudsman Poster</li> <li>• Binder Basics: Social Services</li> <li>• Social Services Related F-Tag Guide</li> </ul>
<b>F-641 Accuracy of Assessments</b> (moved F-642 Coordination and Certification of Assessment into F-641)	—Added language about accuracy of MDS coding for schizophrenia by ensuring there is supporting documentation for the diagnosis based on current standards of practice (e.g., DSM-5 criteria). —Moved guidance from <b>F-642 into F-641</b> for consolidation of information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducting an Accurate Resident Assessment Policy</li> <li>• F-641 Inaccurate Assessment of Resident POC</li> </ul>

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<b>F-658 Services Provided to Meet Professional Standards (Comprehensive Care Plans)</b>	<p>—Revised the language slightly to assure that <b>ALL</b> services, as outlined by the comprehensive care plan, being provided meet professional standards of quality.</p> <p>—Gives guidance that mental disorders are diagnosed by a practitioner, using evidence-based criteria and professional standards, such as the current DSM and are supported by documentation in the resident's medical record.</p> <p>—Gives examples of insufficient documentation to support a mental health diagnosis (especially focused on schizophrenia) and criteria for schizophrenia, schizophreniform, and schizoaffective disorder.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comprehensive Care Plans Policy</li> <li>• Provision of Physician Ordered Services Policy</li> <li>• F-658 Failure to Provide Physician Ordered Services POC</li> </ul>
<b>F-678 Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)</b>	<p>—Updated language that staff must maintain current CPR certification through a CPR provider whose training includes a hands on session <i>either in a physical or virtual instructor-led setting in accordance with accepted national standards.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Policy</li> </ul>
<b>F-697 Pain Management</b>	<p>— Added definitions for acute pain, chronic pain, and subacute pain.</p> <p>— Added guidance about opioid treatment for acute, subacute, and chronic pain.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pain Management Policy</li> <li>• Pain Management Training Presentation</li> <li>• Pain Management Policy and Policy Review Test</li> <li>• Pain Management: A Care Solution</li> </ul>
<b>F-725 Sufficient Nursing Staff</b>	<p>—Added definitions of licensed nurse, charge nurse, and scope of practice.</p> <p>—Provides additional surveyor guidance on usage of the Payroll Based Journal Staffing Data Reports as a source of information and other survey guidance.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facility Staff Tracking Policy*</li> </ul>
<b>F-727 RN 8Hrs/7 Days/Week, Full Time DON</b>	<p>—Added language to the regulation citing portions of the Social Security Act §1819 and §1919.</p> <p>—Provides additional surveyor guidance on usage of the Payroll Based Journal Staffing Data Reports as a source of information and other survey guidance.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nursing Services and Sufficient Staff Policy*</li> <li>• Nursing Services – Registered Nurse Policy</li> </ul>
<b>F-731 Waiver-Licensed Nurses 24Hr/Day and RN Coverage</b>	<p>—Updated language on waiver of requirement to provide licensed nurses and a <i>registered nurse</i> on a 24-hour basis for nursing facilities.</p> <p>—Update language waiver of requirement to provide services of a registered nurse for <i>at least 112</i> hours a week for skilled nursing facilities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Waiver of Licensed/Registered Nursing Personnel Policy</li> </ul>
<b>F-757 Drug Regimen is Free from Unnecessary Drugs (moved some language from F-758 into F-757 and removed F-758)</b>	<p>—Added guidance from <b>F-758 into F-757</b> about unnecessary drugs.</p> <p>—Psychotropic medication information was moved to <b>F-605</b>.</p> <p>—Updated definitions for adequate indications for use and adverse consequences.</p> <p>—Added guidance that the medical record should show documentation of evaluations of the resident's physical, behavioral, mental, and psychosocial signs and symptoms in order to identify and rule out underlying medical conditions, benefits/risks, and preferences and goals for treatment when initiating, maintaining, or discontinuing medications.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adverse Drug Event Policy*</li> <li>• High Risk Medications – Anticoagulants Policy*</li> <li>• High Risk Medications Policy*</li> <li>• Medication Monitoring Policy</li> <li>• PRN Medications Policy</li> <li>• Unnecessary Drugs Policy (<i>title has shortened</i>)</li> <li>• F-757 Unnecessary Drugs Without Adequate Indication for Use POC</li> <li>• Binder Basics: Medication Management</li> </ul>

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<b>F-841 Responsibilities of Medical Director</b>	—Added language about implementation of resident care policies, adherence to diagnosing and prescribing medications, active involvement in process of conducting facility assessment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medical Director Responsibilities Policy</li> </ul>
<b>F-851 Payroll Based Journal</b>	—Updated surveyor guidance on usage of the Payroll Based Journal Reports during the survey process.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Payroll Based Journal Policy*</li> </ul>
<b>F-867 QAPI/QAA Improvement Activities</b>	<p>—Added definition of health equity.</p> <p>—Added guidance that facilities should consider feedback related to concerns about health equity, collect and monitor data related to the outcomes of sub-populations to address any health equity issues, consider factors that affect health equity and outcomes, and data analysis around factors known to affect health equity.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QAPI Change Process Policy*</li> <li>• QAPI Monitoring Policy*</li> <li>• QAPI Data Collection Systems Policy</li> <li>• QAPI Feedback Policy</li> <li>• Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement QAPI Policy</li> <li>• Binder Basics: QAPI Guidance</li> <li>• QAPI Essentials Training Presentation</li> <li>• QAPI Essentials Training Presentation Pre-Post Test with Answer Key</li> <li>• QAPI Related F-Tag Guide</li> </ul>
<b>F-880 Infection Prevention and Control</b>	—Added language and guidance about Enhanced Barrier Precautions and MDROs as laid out by the CDC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Binder Basics: Infection Control</li> <li>• Enhanced Barrier Precautions Policy*</li> <li>• MDRO Colonization Policy</li> <li>• MDRO Infection Policy</li> <li>• Infection Prevention and Control Program Policy</li> </ul>
<b>F-887 COVID-19 Immunization</b>	<p>—Language was not majorly changed but took out "staff members" in a line that now states, "The resident, or resident representative, must be provided the opportunity to refuse the vaccine and to change their decision about vaccination at any time."  <i>(This is just clarification where it says to follow state law and facility policies with respect to staff refusal of vaccination).</i></p> <p>—Added more investigative procedure guidance on how to cite noncompliance and updated links.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Infection Prevention and Control Program Policy</li> </ul>
<b>F-918 Bedrooms Equipped Near Lavatory/Toilet</b>	—Updated guidance on criteria facilities must meet for having in each resident bedroom its own bathroom consisting of at least a sink and commode/toilet.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resident Rooms Policy</li> </ul>
<b>Other Minor Changes</b>	—Addition of the word "staff" when posting nurse staffing information to ensure it is accessible to staff members as well <b>(F-732)</b> .	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nurse Staffing Posting Information Policy</li> </ul>

\*reference and/or definition change only

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