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SUBJECT: MDS 3.0 Automation Training

Dear Nursing Home Administrator:

The Quality Improvement and Evaluation Service (QIES) at the Oklahoma State Department of Health is pleased to announce online training for MDS 3.0 automation. Our first segment focuses on the transmission of MDS 3.0 data. This presentation includes a PowerPoint audio and transcript for the new MDS 3.0 submission process.

The transmission of MDS 3.0 assessments and tracking forms will change effective with assessments that have an assessment reference date (ARD, A2300), entry date or discharge date, (event dates, A1600 or A2000) of **October 1, 2010** or later. It is imperative that your MDS coordinators are aware of this process and have time available to view this presentation prior to the effective date of MDS 3.0. Also note that MDS 2.0 data must be submitted separate from the MDS 3.0 data. I encourage you to contact your software vendors to determine how they will accommodate this process. Any MDS 2.0 data will be rejected if submitted with MDS 3.0 data and vice-versa.

You can view the presentation by going to our QIES web site at <http://mds.health.ok.gov>. Click on "Educational Resources" on the left side of the screen and then click on "MDS 3.0 Data Submission Process." You can download the PowerPoint presentation for printing if you would like to take notes during the presentation.

We plan to have more MDS training segments available to you and your staff in the near future. The presentations will be approximately 30 minutes or less in length, and should aid in the development of new and existing employees with no time away from your facility. We appreciate any suggestions you may have concerning this training.

In the event additional assistance is required regarding the transmission process please contact Bob Bischoff, MDS Automation Coordinator, at the QIES Help Desk, 405-271-5278.

Sincerely,

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