2018 LTCH CARE Data Set & LTCH QRP Manual

This page includes the current versions of LTCH CARE Data Set and LTCH QRP Manual and associated documents. This page will be updated whenever an update is made to either of these resources, a newer version becomes available, or when important information regarding these tools needs to be communicated. Once the Data Set and Manual are updated, the older versions are available for reference in the archives section.

The Long-Term Care Hospital (LTCH) Continuity Assessment Record and Evaluation (CARE) Data Set

The LTCH CARE Data Set is the assessment instrument LTCH providers use to collect patient assessment data in accordance with the LTCH QRP. Patient assessment data is collected on admission, discharge (planned or unplanned), and for patients who die (expired). The LTCH CARE Data Set V 3.00 is currently in use through June 30, 2018. The LTCH CARE Data Set V 4.00 will go into effect July 1, 2018. For more information about data collection and submission, please refer to the LTCH Quality Reporting Data Submission Deadlines webpage.

The Long-Term Care Hospital (LTCH) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) Manual

The purpose of the LTCH QRP Manual is to provide guidance to LTCHs regarding quality data collection, submission, and reporting to CMS in compliance with the LTCH QRP. The LTCH QRP Manual provides a historical and contextual overview of the LTCH QRP, item-by-item coding instructions for the LTCH CARE Data Set, and coding examples for each item for LTCH staff to accurately complete the LTCH CARE Data Set. The most recent version of the LTCH QRP Manual is available in the downloads section below.

Downloads

- LTCH QRP Manual Version 4.0 Errata - July 2018 [ZIP, 52KB]
- LTCH QRP Manual Version 4.0 - Effective July 1, 2018 (Revised May 2018) [ZIP, 6MB]
- LTCH QRP Manual Version 4.0 Change Table - Effective July 1 2018 (Revised May 2018) (002) [PDF, 680KB]
- LTCH QRP Manual Version 3.0 Errata-February 2018.pdf [PDF, 53KB]
- LTCH QRP Manual Version 3.0 - September 2017.zip [ZIP, 6MB]
- LTCH QRP Manual Version 3.0 Change Table - September 2017.pdf [PDF, 235KB]
- Final LTCH CARE Data Set Version 4.00 - Effective July 1, 2018 [ZIP, 920KB]

- [Final LTCH CARE Data Set Version 4.00 Change Table - Effective July 1, 2018.pdf [PDF, 350KB]](#)
- [Finalized Item Set Specifications for FY17 LTCH QRP Final Rule [ZIP, 647KB]](#)
- [LTCH CARE Data Set v3.00 FINAL [ZIP, 1MB]](#)