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TO: Skilled Nursing Facilities

SUBJECT: California Minimum Data Set (MDS) Nuggets

All Facilities Letter (AFL) Summary

- The CA MDS newsletter is now available on the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) website.

This issue of the CA MDS newsletter (CA MDS Nuggets) includes:

- Revisions to Section A of the MDS 3.0 Resident Assessment Instrument (RAI) Manual
- New recommendations for Pneumococcal Vaccine from CDC and ACIP
- Instructions for documenting the influenza vaccine on MDS item O0250
- Information regarding the expansion of MDS Focused Surveys released by CMS

The MDS Nuggets newsletter may be accessed at the following link:

<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/LnC/Pages/MDSNewsletter.aspx>

If you have any questions, please contact Susana Belda, RN, RAI Educational Coordinator at:

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Please distribute copies to the MDS Coordinator, Director of Nursing, and Administrator.

Sincerely,

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