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TO: Skilled Nursing Facilities

SUBJECT: California MDS Nuggets “December 2013” Newsletter

This All Facilities Letter (AFL) is being sent as a reminder that the California MDS Newsletters (CA MDS Nuggets) are posted on the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) website.

The latest issue includes the major changes to sections G, K and O of the RAI Manual released by CMS in October 2013 & November 2013, additional items in the MDS sections, new ADL Self-Performance Algorithm and related links.

Visit the CDPH website to access the CA MDS 3.0 newsletter. Nursing facilities are encouraged to send their clinical and technical MDS 3.0 inquiries to mdsoasis@cdph.ca.gov.

The California MDS Nuggets newsletter may be accessed at the following link:
<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/LnC/Pages?MDSNewsletter.aspx>.

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

Sincerely,

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