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Education: Point Nursing Homes To These Survey Guidance Specifics On Palliative Care

More than one F-tag is involved in end-of-life care compliance for skilled nursing facilities.

Although many important nursing home survey changes affecting palliative care are contained in the **Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services** guidance on F-Tag 309, it's best to take a close look at the agency's guidance to surveyors on all of the items below:

- Survey guidance regarding §483.25 Quality of Care, State Operations Manual (CMS): F309, 310, 311, 312, 314, 315, 317, 318, 319, 320, 325, 327, 329
- Guidance regarding §483.20(k) Coordinated and Comprehensive Care Plans, State Operations Manual (CMS): F279
- Guidance regarding §483.15 Quality of Life, State Operations Manual (CMS): F241, 242.

Source: Palliative Care Best Practices: A Guide for Long-Term Care and Hospice at www.civhc.org/CIVHC-Initiatives/Health-Care-Delivery-Redesign/Palliative-Care/Palliative-Care-Best-Practices/Palliative-Care-Best-Practices-Guide-2012.aspx.