



New LTC Survey Pathways & Entrance Conference Form

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As promised, the [Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services \(CMS\)](#) has published documents related to the new [LTC survey process](#) that goes into effect on November 28, 2017. The [survey process](#), which combines elements of the traditional survey and the QIS survey, includes a long list of Critical Element Pathways to help surveyors.

Pathways include:

1. [SNF Beneficiary Protection Notification Review](#)
2. [Dining Observation](#)
3. [Infection Prevention, Control & Immunizations](#)
4. [Kitchen Observation](#)
5. [Medication Administration Observation](#)
6. [Resident Council Interview](#)
7. [Quality Assessment and Assurance \(QAA\) and Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement \(QAPI\) Plan Review](#)
8. [Abuse Critical Element Pathway](#)
9. [Environmental Observations](#)
10. [Sufficient and Competent Nurse Staffing Review](#)
11. [Personal Funds Review](#)
12. [Activities Critical Element Pathway](#)
13. [Activities of Daily Living \(ADL\) Critical Element Pathway](#)
14. [Behavioral and Emotional Status Critical Element Pathway](#)
15. [Urinary Catheter or Urinary Tract Infection Critical Element Pathway](#)
16. [Communication and Sensory Problems \(Includes Hearing and Vision\) Critical Element Pathway](#)
17. [Dental Status and Services Critical Element Pathway](#)
18. [Dialysis Critical Element Pathway](#)
19. [General Critical Element Pathway](#)
20. [Hospice and End of Life Care and Services Critical Element Pathway](#)
21. [Death Critical Element Pathway](#)
22. [Nutrition Critical Element Pathway](#)
23. [Pain Recognition and Management Critical Element Pathway](#)
24. [Physical Restraints Critical Element Pathway](#)
25. [Pressure Ulcer/Injury Critical Element Pathway](#)
26. [Specialized Rehabilitative or Restorative Services Critical Element Pathway](#)
27. [Respiratory Care Critical Element Pathway](#)

28. [Unnecessary Medications, Psychotropic Medications, and Medication Regimen Review Critical Element Pathway](#)
29. [Medication Storage and Labeling](#)
30. [Preadmission Screening and Resident Review Critical Element Pathway](#)
31. [Extended Survey](#)
32. [Hydration Critical Element Pathway](#)
33. [Tube Feeding Status Critical Element Pathway](#)
34. [Positioning, Mobility & Range of Motion \(ROM\) Critical Element Pathway](#)
35. [Hospitalization Critical Element Pathway](#)
36. [Bladder or Bowel Incontinence Critical Element Pathway](#)
37. [Accidents Critical Element Pathway](#)
38. [Neglect Critical Element Pathway](#)
39. [Resident Assessment Critical Element Pathway](#)
40. [Discharge Critical Element Pathway](#)
41. [Dementia Care Critical Element Pathway](#)