

**DATE:** August 25, 2025  
**TO:** ALL SNF WQIP PARTICIPANTS  
**SUBJECT:** SNF WQIP PL 25-007 Close Out Communication

**PURPOSE:**

This Policy Letter (PL) provides guidance and clarification regarding the next steps for the end of the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Workforce and Quality Incentive Program (WQIP).

**BACKGROUND:**

Originally, the SNF WQIP was authorized by Welfare & Institutions Code Section [14126.024](#) (added by Assembly Bill (AB)186 (Chapter 46, Statutes of 2022)) for dates of service January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2026. However, **AB 116 (Committee on Budget, Chapter 21, Section 19, Statutes of 2025) amended W&I section 14126.024 to change the end date of SNF WQIP to December 31, 2025.**

**POLICY:**

**The end of the SNF WQIP will not impact measurements or payments for SNF WQIP CY2025 (PY3). The only change is that the CY2026 SNF WQIP will not be developed.**

Please note that, currently in 2025, Managed Care Plans (MCPs) are currently issuing SNF WQIP payments for CY2024 (PY2). Subsequently, MCPs are required to issue SNF WQIP payments in 2026 for CY2025 (PY3) once DHCS releases payment exhibits.

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