

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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New law establishes state requirements to correspond with the federal requirements established by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Special Focus Facility (SFF) Program, which focuses on nursing homes that have a history of serious quality issues.

New law requires the nursing facilities to notify prospective and current residents of participation in the program and give the residents an opportunity to transfer to another nursing facility.

New law requires any nursing facility licensed by the La. Dept. of Health that is selected for participation in the SFF Program to be subject to enhanced state monitoring and other state-imposed requirements.

New law requires the La. Dept. of Health to revoke the license of any nursing facility that fails to meet the requirements for graduation from the program and additional requirements imposed by the department within 18 months.

New law authorizes the La. Dept. of Health to revoke the license of any nursing facility prior to 18 months if the facility is noncompliant with federal requirements or the additional requirements imposed by the department.

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