148-Admission for Post-Acute Care

Effective immediately, the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) is instructing nursing facilities to discontinue submission of the 148-Admission form for individuals admitted to a nursing facility to receive post-acute care services under a contract or single case agreement with a Medicaid Managed Care Organization (MCO). Please note that this directive only applies to this specific population, and nursing facilities should continue to submit the 148-Admission for all other admissions and payment sources.

This directive is intended to address an issue in which Medicaid enrollees admitted to the facility to receive post-acute care services under an agreement with an MCO were being incorrectly disenrolled from the MCO. LDH has determined that inconsistent designation of payment source on the 148-Admission form and the need for manual notification to LDH by the MCO have driven this issue. Discontinuing the use of the 148-Admission form for this population should prevent this error.

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