

Long-Term Care Hospital (LTCH) Continuity Assessment Record and Evaluation (CARE) Data Set (LCDS) & LCDS Manual Archive

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The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is publishing the Long-Term Care Hospital (LTCH) Continuity Assessment Record and Evaluation (CARE) Data Set (LCDS) Quarterly Q&As, in December of 2023. The document contains the consolidated Q&As from September 2020 to December 2023 so that all LTCH providers have the benefit of the clarifications to existing guidance, CMS identifies the opportunity to clarify or refine guidance.

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