

**FY 2022 LTCH PPS Proposed Rule**  
**Alternative Considered Public Use File (PUF) Description**

As discussed in Appendix A of the FY 2022 IPPS/LTCH PPS proposed rule, we are soliciting comments on an alternative approach of using the same data that we would ordinarily use for purposes of the FY 2022 rulemaking, which we may consider finalizing for FY 2022 based on consideration of comments received.

1. **File Name:** LTCH BN Factors and Other Factors - Alternative Considered.zip  
**Description:** This file presents LTCH PPS adjustment factors, the LTCH PPS standard Federal rate, and the fixed-loss amount for LTCH PPS standard Federal payment rate cases based on our ordinary data sources (including the December 2020 update of the FY 2020 MedPAR file, December 2020 update of the Provider Specific File, and FY 2019 cost report data from HCRIS).
  
2. **File Name:** MS-LTC-DRGs- Alternative Considered.zip  
**Description:** This file presents the MS-LTC-DRGs and their respective relative weights, geometric mean length of stay, and short-stay outlier (SSO) threshold based on the December 2020 update of the FY 2020 MedPAR file and Version 39 of the GROUPER. For this alternative considered MS-LTC-DRG data, we also present in separate tabs our grouping of the low-volume MS-LTC-DRGs into the five low-volume quintiles and our crosswalk for zero-volume MS-LTC-DRGs.
  
3. **File Name:** LTCH Impact File - Alternative Considered.zip  
**Description:** This file presents the LTCH impact data based on our ordinary data sources including the December 2020 update of the FY 2020 MedPAR file, December 2020 update of the Provider Specific File, and FY 2019 cost report data from HCRIS.