



## QTSO MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** QIES State Coordinators

**CC:** CMS Central and Regional Office Contacts

**FROM:** April Bell, QIES Technical Support Office

**DATE:** FEBRUARY 3, 2023

**SUBJECT:** ASPEN LTCSP 12.2.0.3 Release Information

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The ASPEN LTCSP 12.2.0.3 release will be deployed to production on Saturday, February 18, 2023. State and CMS staff can begin using ASPEN 12.2.0.3 by the start of business on Monday, February 20, 2023.

### Included in This Release

This release includes executables for ASE-Q/LTCSP. See Release Notes below for changes included in this release.

### LTCSP

LTCSP changes will take effect starting after February 20, 2023 for surveys that were exported after February 20, 2023 using the new 12.2.0.3 version of the application.

### What this means for LTCSP survey teams

For this release, though we recommend teams always use the same version of LTCSP, we do not anticipate any issues if teams have some surveyors who upgrade to 12.2.0.3 and some who do not.

### Download Information

ASPEN 12.2.0.3 will be provided to your state agency as a standard ASPEN thin install. The planned posting of the thin installs to the ASPEN website is by close of business on Wednesday, February 8, 2023 to allow for your agency's release planning. The download links below are not active until the thin install files are posted on February 8.

**Note:** No action is necessary by CMS users – these upgrades are automatically applied to your CMS systems and should not be downloaded separately from these links.

ASE-Q

[http://star.alpinetg.com/upgrade/Thin/ASE12.2.0.3\\_PR1\\_Thin.zip](http://star.alpinetg.com/upgrade/Thin/ASE12.2.0.3_PR1_Thin.zip)

### Auto-upgrade

For states using auto-upgrade, it will be posted by COB on Friday February 17, 2023.

For CMS users, all applications will be deployed automatically to your computers through the auto-upgrade process on Friday, February 17, 2023.

## Release Notes

The following changes are included in this release:

- Update regulation set with IG technical corrections
- Update procedure guides
- Update Appendix PP for technical corrections
- Add NA responses to Urinary Catheter/Urinary Tract Infection Critical Element pathway (CMS 200068)

In addition to the above documents, the revised FIC protocol is available in the Survey Resource folder. Please instruct surveyors to download.

## Regulation Set Changes (v17.01)

The LTC regulation set update consists of IG text changes.

Regulation	Title	Version	Tag	Type of Change
LTC	Free from Abuse and Neglect	17.01	F-0600	Revised IG text
LTC	Transfer and Discharge Requirements	17.01	F-0622	Revised IG text
LTC	Permitting Residents to Return to Facility	17.01	F-0626	Revised IG text
LTC	Activities Meet Interest/Needs Each Resident	17.01	F-0679	Revised IG text
LTC	Bowel/Bladder Incontinence, Catheter, UTI	17.01	F-0690	Revised IG text
LTC	Pain Management	17.01	F-0697	Revised IG text
LTC	Trauma Informed Care	17.01	F-0699	Revised IG text
LTC	Bedrails	17.01	F-0700	Revised IG text
LTC	Behavioral Health Services	17.01	F-0740	Revised IG text
LTC	Sufficient/Competent Staff-Behav Health Needs	17.01	F-0741	Revised IG text
LTC	Treatment/Srvcs Mental/Psychosocial Concerns	17.01	F-0742	Revised IG text
LTC	No Behavior Difficulties Unless Unavoidable	17.01	F-0743	Revised IG text
LTC	Treatment/Service for Dementia	17.01	F-0744	Revised IG text
LTC	Pharmacy Srvcs/Procedures/Pharmacist/Records	17.01	F-0755	Revised IG text
LTC	Entering into Binding Arbitration Agreements	17.01	F-0847	Revised IG text
LTC	Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation Training	17.01	F-0943	Revised IG text
LTC	Behavioral Health Training	17.01	F-0949	Revised IG text

If you have any questions concerning this information, please contact the ASPEN Help Desk at [iqies@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:iqies@cms.hhs.gov) or 1 (888) 477-7876.