



QTSO MEMORANDUM

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TO: QIES State Coordinators
CC: CMS Central and Regional Office Contacts
FROM: ATG, QIES Technical Support Office
DATE: September 21, 2023
SUBJECT: ASPEN 12.4.4.0 Advance Notification

This is notification of the upcoming ASPEN 12.4.4.0 release providing updates for ACO, ACTS, AEM, LTCSP, and ASE-Q.

The planned posting of the thin installs to the ATG website is by COB on Friday, October 13, 2023 to allow for your agency's release planning. Changes will be released to production the weekend of October 21, 2023. State and CMS staff can begin using ASPEN 12.4.4.0 by start of business on Monday, October 23, 2023.

The main features of the release include changes to support October MDS updates, plus:

- ACO - CMS-672 is now obsolete
- AEM - Changes to the CMP tab entry, AEM case Notices tab, and CDC/F884 automated processing
- LTCSP - Updates associated with failure to submit PBJ data

Additional details will be provided in the release memo.

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