



Center for Clinical Standards and Quality/Survey & Certification Group

Ref: S&C 17-10-CAHs

DATE: December 1, 2016
TO: State Survey Agency Directors
FROM: Director
Survey and Certification Group
SUBJECT: Critical Access Hospital (CAH) Appendix W Revisions

Memorandum Summary

- Revisions were made to the regulation language for CAH Emergency Services standard in 2004 and 2006 but those revisions were not included in Appendix W of the State Operations Manual (SOM).
- Corrections are being made at tag C-0207, standards §485.618(d)(1) through §485.618(d)(4), to reflect the current regulations.

We are making revisions to Appendix W, tag C-0207 to reflect the current regulatory language, citation numbers and requirements of §485.618(d)(1) through §485.618(d)(4) . In addition the survey procedures under this tag have also been revised to reflect the current regulatory requirements.

Contact: Questions concerning this memorandum should be addressed to CAHSCG@cms.hhs.gov.

Effective Date: Immediately. This policy should be communicated with all survey and certification staff, their managers and the State/Regional Office training coordinators within 30 days of this memorandum.

/s/
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Attachment- Advanced Copy Appendix W

cc: Survey and Certification Regional Office Management