**Policy**

The Preference for Everyday LivingInventory (PELI) will be completed on all residents in the skilled nursing facilities.

**Purpose**

# Ohio Revised Code Section 5165.25 sets forth the quality payment rate for Medicaid payment to skilled nursing facilities (SNFs). Effective July 1, 2016, this statute implements five factors to be considered when the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) determines the quality portion of each facility's daily rate. One of the five quality factors is: “The nursing facility utilized the nursing home version of the preferences for everyday living inventory [PELI] for all of its residents.” Although the PELI questionnaire is a scientifically validated interview tool, it is meant to guide conversations with residents to assist staff in understanding the resident's true preferences and in utilizing those preferences in the creation of a plan of care.

# **Procedure**

An Alert issued by LeadingAge Ohio on May 26, 2016, stated that “Cheryl Guyman, Nursing Facility Policy Administrator, Ohio Department of Medicaid has confirmed that there is nothing in rule to prevent a facility from using MDS Section F:  Preferences for Customary Routine and Activities to meet the PELI quality indicator requirements, as this section is the basis for the short version of the PELI.  In order to do so, a provider must have a written policy indicating that they will use this section to meet the criteria for the quality indicator.”

All Ohio Living skilled nursing facilities will utilize section F of the MDS to satisfy the requirement put forth in the ORC section 5165.25 to assess each resident’s preferences for everyday living.