



OHIO NURSING HOME QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Implementing Consistent Assignment Project

Description

Consistent assignment is the foundation of high-quality, individualized care. The Implementing Consistent Assignment Project is a fast and sustainable 10-step process. The Consistent Assignment Implementation Kit is a voluntary, independent project originally developed by B&F Consulting on behalf of the California Culture Change Coalition through a grant of funds resulting from the matter of *Vinnie Lavender et al v. Skilled Healthcare Group, Inc. et al*. B&F Consulting will offer an introductory webinar for Ohio homes interested in implementing the project; a recording will be available for future users.

Please note, because the project was designed and published for the California nursing homes, “CNA” is used to describe nurse aides; Ohio homes should substitute “STNA” and explain the discrepancy to staff who may not be familiar with the different term.

How to Join

A nursing home must access the 10-step Consistent Assignment Implementation Kit available free of charge from the California Culture Change Coalition [web site](#).

Brief Description of Required Activities for Project Participants

1. View the introductory webinar featuring B&F Consulting
2. Complete the 10-step process to achieving consistently assigned staff utilizing the videos and webinars, meeting agendas and task assignments available in the [Consistent Assignment Implementation Kit](#)
 - a. The home should document their project efforts for evidence of participation (see below)
3. Measure and report baseline and ongoing project consistency (see page 10 of the Kit) using the National Nursing Home Quality Improvement Campaign [Consistent Assignment Tracking Tool](#)
 - a. The home should complete the data entry on residents and caregivers then save and print the “Data for Website Entry” report each month for evidence of participation (see below)

Date(s) of Project

The Implementing Consistent Assignment Project is available to launch at any time.

Evidence of Participation in the Project*

**Expected evidence of participation in the project should be kept by the nursing home for use in state survey to demonstrate compliance with Sec. 3721.072 (B) which states that "Beginning July 1, 2013, each nursing home shall participate every two years in at least one of the quality improvement projects included on the list made available by the department of aging under the nursing home quality initiative established under section 173.60 of the Revised Code."*

Proof of participation includes:

- Consistent Assignment team roster, meeting agendas, and task assignment checklists from launch through current date;
- Data collection on consistent assignment. Produce monthly "Data for Website Entry" reports on consistent assignment from the Advancing Excellence Consistent Assignment tracking tool from the beginning of the project through the current date.

Relevant links

California Culture Change Coalition's [Consistent Assignment Implementation Kit](#). The kit is also available as a .pdf file by request to epettegrew@age.ohio.gov. Kit includes the following four-part webinar available on YouTube:

[Webinar Part 1: Consistent Assignment](#)

[Webinar Part 2: Consistent Assignment](#)

[Webinar Part 3: Consistent Assignment](#)

[Webinar Part 4: Consistent Assignment](#)

National Nursing Home Quality Improvement Campaign [Consistent Assignment Resources](#)

National Nursing Home Quality Improvement Campaign [Consistent Assignment Tracking Tool](#)

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[Ohio Person-Centered Care Coalition](#) - membership is encouraged

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