

## Nursing Home Quality Measure Performance Recovery

During the height of the pandemic in 2020, nursing homes implemented processes to prevent the spread of COVID-19 such as no communal dining, restricting visitors, and limiting in-person social interactions. Unfortunately, these efforts took a toll on residents and led to lower quality measures rates.

COVID-19 vaccines helped bring a decrease in COVID-19 cases and this success led to the lifting of restrictions. Following suit, the national average for 20 publicly reported quality measures have improved.

**-8%**

**Depression (Long-Stay)** worsened by 8% during the same time period.

**0%**

**Medication reconciliation (Quality Reporting Program)** saw no change during this period.

### Top 5 Most Improved Quality Measures



Note: a decrease in the rate is considered improvement for these five measures.

**Methodology:** Data from CMS's Care Compare website from over 14,000 nursing homes was trended for the national average of over 30 quality measures from 2019 through 2022.