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To: Nursing Homes

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The purpose of this memo is to announce the availability of the Tool Kit for Implementing Single Patient Use Glucose Meters in Long-Term Care Facilities.

The Wisconsin Health-Care Associated Infections (HAIs) in Long-Term Care Coalition developed this tool kit to assist nursing homes to meet current standards of practice to prevent patient-to-patient transmission of blood borne pathogens when using glucose meters. Please refer to DQA Memo 12-016, Wisconsin Healthcare-Associated Infections (HAIs) in Long-Term Care Coalition.

While this tool kit is targeted to nursing homes, the information contained within this document is also applicable to assisted living providers and facilities serving people with intellectual disabilities.

Please direct questions regarding this memo to the Bureau of Education Services and Technology, Nurse Consultant at (414) 227-4705 or via email at dhswebmaildqa@wisconsin.gov.

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