Effective January 1, 2023, newly enrolled Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) or SNFs undergoing a change in ownership were elevated from the **limited** level categorial screening to the **high** level of screening and revalidating SNFs now fall under the **moderate** screening level.

**Limited Risk**

(i) Verifies the provider/supplier meets all applicable Federal regulations and state requirements for the provider/supplier type prior to enrollment.

(ii) Conducts license verifications for providers/suppliers who obtain billing privileges.

(iii) Conducts database checks on a pre- and post-enrollment basis to ensure providers/suppliers continue to meet the enrollment criteria for the provider/supplier type.

**High Risk**

(i) Performs the "**limited**" & "**moderate**" screening requirements.

(ii) Submission of a set of fingerprints for a national background check from all individuals who maintain a 5% or greater direct or indirect ownership interest in the provider/supplier.

(iii) A fingerprint based criminal history record check on all individuals who maintain a 5% or greater direct or indirect ownership interest in the provider/supplier.
Revalidating SNFs:

**Limited Risk**

(i) Verifies the provider/supplier meets all applicable Federal regulations and state requirements for the provider/supplier type prior to enrollment.

(ii) Conducts license verifications for providers/suppliers who obtain billing privileges.

(iii) Conducts database checks on a pre- and post-enrollment basis to ensure providers/suppliers continue to meet the enrollment criteria for the provider/supplier type.

**Moderate Risk**

(i) Performs the “limited” screening requirements.

(ii) Conducts an on-site visit.

Although the compendium was not published until December 2023, there is no grace period to comply with the screening requirements.
Effective January 1, 2024 newly enrolled hospices or hospices undergoing a change in ownership were elevated from the moderate level categorical screening to the high level of screening and revalidating hospices fall under the moderate screening level.

**Moderate Risk**

(i) Performs the “limited” screening requirements.
(ii) Conducts an on-site visit.

**High Risk**

(i) Performs the “limited” & “moderate” screening requirements.
(ii) Submission of a set of fingerprints for a national background check from all individuals who maintain a 5% or greater direct or indirect ownership interest in the provider/supplier.
(iii) A fingerprint based criminal history record check on all individuals who maintain a 5% or greater direct or indirect ownership interest in the provider/supplier.

*This change was not included in the December 29, 2023 publication of the MPEC because the regulation did not take effect until January 1, 2024. It will be published in the next MPEC update.*