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Dear Nursing Home Administrator:

The results of the 2018 New York State Nursing Home Quality Initiative (NHQI) have been finalized and we are pleased to share your facility's performance.

This letter is accompanied by the methodology for the 2018 NHQI and instructions for interpreting your facility's 2018 NHQI results. Your facility's report is posted to the Health Commerce System (HCS). To access this report, follow the instructions below.

1. Login to HCS: https://commerce.health.state.ny.us/public/hcs_login.html.
2. Enter User ID and Password.
3. From "My Applications", select "Hlthcare Finance Data Gateway". Go to Step 4 if this application does not already exist in your list of applications, otherwise skip to Step 7.
4. From the top line menu under "My Content", choose "All Applications".
5. Select "H", then click the Green "+" button under the Add/Remove column to add the application to your personal "My Applications" list.
6. You may open the application from the page you are already on by clicking "Healthcare Financial Data Gateway" or you may choose it from "My Applications" under the Home page.
7. Go to the **Publications** section:
 - a. Under Collection, click on drop down and select "NH Rate Sheets 4/2009-Forward"
 - b. Under Package, click on drop down and select "2018 Nursing Home Quality Initiative Results"
 - c. Under Organization, click on drop down and select your organization
 - d. Click on Search

If there are any questions about the 2018 NHQI, please email nhqp@health.ny.gov.
The Department will post this data on its Health Data NY website, and we will inform you when the file is publicly available.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donna Frescatore". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Donna" being more prominent than the last name "Frescatore".

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