Skilled Nursing Facility Checklist

General Atmosphere

- ☐ Is the facility clean and relatively free of odors?
- ☐ Is the facility maintained at a comfortable temperature for patients?
- ☐ Are halls reasonably uncluttered?
- ☐ Are the Administrator and Director of Nursing visible in the patient care areas?
- ☐ Is there a noticeable attitude of caring expressed toward the patients by all of the staff?
- ☐ Do the patients communicate with each other?
- ☐ Are visitors welcome?

Quality of Care

- ☐ Does the patient or his/her family participate in developing the patients care plan?
- ☐ Do the patients look well taken care of? (Are they dressed for the season and time of day?)
- ☐ Do patients who need assistance with eating receive it?
- ☐ Does staff respond quickly to patient calls for assistance?
- ☐ Is water readily available and are patients offered assistance in drinking water on a regular basis?

Patient's Rights

- ☐ Is privacy assured when the patients receive care?
- ☐ Are patients treated with dignity and respect?
- ☐ Are call bells placed within the patient's reach?
- ☐ Is an effort made to provide for roommate compatibility?
- ☐ Is there a program to restrict the use of physical restraints?

Staff

- ☐ Is the relationship between staff and residents warm, polite and respectful?
- ☐ Do the staff wear name tags?

☐ Does the facility offer training and continuing education programs for all staff?

☐ Does the same team of nurses and Certified Nursing Assistants (CNA's) work with the same resident on an on-going basis?

☐ Is there a full-time social worker on staff?

Dietary

☐ Is a menu posted, and is it adhered to?

☐ Are meals hot and attractively served?

☐ Are fresh fruit and vegetables used in season?

☐ Are personal food likes and dislikes considered in meal planning?

Activity Program

☐ Is the calendar posted for the current month?

☐ Do activities take place as scheduled?

☐ Are there a variety of activities and do they seem to meet the patients' needs?

☐ Is there an activity plan for every patient, including room-bound and disoriented patients?