

NSF INTERNATIONAL'S BUILDING WATER HEALTH PROGRAM

PROVIDING COMPLIANCE WITH CMS REQUIREMENTS



MEETING CMS REQUIREMENTS

To protect the health and safety of patients, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) now requires hospitals, critical access hospitals, and long-term care facilities to implement policies and procedures that reduce the risk of growth and transmission of *Legionella* and other opportunistic pathogens in building water systems.

CMS REQUIREMENTS

Conduct a facility risk assessment to identify where *Legionella* and other waterborne pathogens could grow and spread in the facility water system.

Implement a water management program that includes control measures, such as:

- > Physical controls
- > Temperature management
- > Disinfectant level control
- > Visual inspections
- > Environmental testing for pathogens

Specify testing protocols and acceptable ranges for control measures, and document the results of testing and corrective actions taken when control limits are not maintained.

NSF SOLUTIONS

NSF International provides services to achieve compliance with any of the three CMS requirements.







EDUCATION

WATER SAFETY PLANS

AUDITING

WHAT ARE THE NSF SOLUTIONS?

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

NSF delivers tailored, on-demand training on the development and implementation of an effective water management program. During this course, you will learn how to:

- > Analyze building water systems
- > Minimize potential hazards and hazardous conditions
- > Mitigate risks in a building water system

WATER SAFETY PLAN AND LEGIONELLA RISK ASSESSMENT

NSF can develop a water safety plan that:

- > Identifies and assesses risk associated with waterborne pathogens throughout your entire building water system
- > Proposes improvements and/or new control measures
- > Minimizes risk and protects patients and staff

AUDITING FOR BUILDING WATER SYSTEMS

NSF provides a comprehensive auditing service that allows you to verify that the control measures developed are being implemented. It also offers the following:

- > Documented compliance with procedures in your water safety plan
- > Minimized liability in litigation cases
- > Improved maintenance, which can lead to longer equipment life
- > Documented compliance with New York City, New York State, and other stringent requirements for cooling tower systems

NSF'S BUILDING WATER HEALTH SERVICES COVERS WATER SYSTEMS, COMPONENTS AND DEVICES:



WATER STORAGE



PREMISE PLUMBING



POOLS AND SPAS



FOUNTAINS



COOLING TOWERS



ICE MACHINES



HUMIDIFIERS



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