



FREE RESOURCE

# CMP Grant Eligibility & Readiness Checklist

A quick self-assessment for skilled nursing communities and the organizations that support them. Work through it before your free consultation to see where you stand.

Check every box you can answer "yes" to. The more you check, the more ready your organization is to pursue Civil Money Penalty (CMP) grant funding — and the items you leave blank are exactly what a consultation can help you sort out.

## 1 Eligibility Basics

- We operate one or more CMS-certified nursing facilities.
- We can identify which buildings would participate in a grant.
- Our facilities are in good standing with the state survey agency.
- We know whether any building is mid-cycle on an existing CMP grant.

## 2 Grant Categories Worth Exploring

- Resident or Family Councils
- Activities to Improve Quality of Life
- Workforce Enhancement
- Consumer Information
- Mental and Behavioral Health
- Training to Improve Quality of Care

**Tip:** Each category is a separate application with its own narrative and budget — many organizations pursue several at once across their buildings.

## 3 Project Readiness

- We have a clear resident- or staff-centered need to address.
- We can describe measurable outcomes for the project.
- Leadership can commit time to a planning phase.
- We have a rough sense of the budget the project would need.

## 4 Documentation & Support

- Each building's Administrator can provide a letter of support.
- We have someone to manage submission deadlines — or need a partner who will.
- We can gather required facility and operational data.
- We can meet annual reporting requirements after an award.

## 5 Where a Consultant Helps Most

- Writing the full application narrative and budget.
- Coordinating and collecting letters of support.
- Strengthening a draft we have already started.
- Navigating funder follow-up and annual reporting.