Draft Assessment Principles

1. Build on the successful use of assessments that have been enacted by the State for Nursing Facilities and health plans and enacted by the City of Phoenix for hospitals.
2. Develop the quantitative details of the assessment through a thoughtful and transparent process that involves robust stakeholder participation and engagement.
3. Leverage external subject matter experts to ensure the framework utilizes flexibilities established within federal regulations to the greatest extent possible to address unique facility circumstances.
4. Similar to other successful hospital stakeholder processes (outpatient, inpatient, sncp, gme etc…) the agency will share individual details with facilities through an iterative robust collaborative process.
5. Mandate that costs associated with the assessment not be passed on to consumers and other payers.
6. Create flexible legislative authority.
7. The hospital stakeholder engagement process will continue beyond implementation to provide an appropriate forum to deal with operational issues and any necessary future adjustments.