

CMMI Quality Announcement – January 2020

Coronavirus in China

As news has developed regarding the dangerous coronavirus outbreak, and the subsequent restrictions on travel in and out of select Chinese cities, our thoughts are with our Partners and CMMI community members living and working in the affected region. We hope you and your loved ones are staying safe and healthy, and that this situation will be under control as soon as possible.

Over the past few days, CMMI Institute has been contacted by concerned Partners with upcoming business in China. We have been asked what special exemptions can be made to ease the impact this health emergency will have on CMMI appraisal deliveries.

The request has been made to allow remote delivery of SCAMPI V1.3 and CMMI V2.0 appraisals. Unfortunately, we do not permit remote delivery of CMMI appraisals, and do not issue waivers to this rule. CMMI Institute is continuing to work on ways to build remote delivery capability into the V2.0 appraisal method and understands that this will become a necessity as it looks at the future of CMMI. Unfortunately, we are not yet at a place where we can permit remote delivery beyond the parameters currently found in the Method Definition Document (MDD).

Similarly, CMMI Institute will not be extending the life of CMMI V1.3 beyond the 30 September 2020 sunset date. Many system and product design components would be negatively impacted, meaning that such a move will not be feasible.

If travel restrictions will force the postponement of an appraisal or course delivery, there may be allowances that can be made to the various rules and constraints involved with the timing of CMMI appraisals and courses. To be clear, proper planning for such events can eliminate most timing concerns. However, if you are facing a special set of circumstances that could result in a violation of a timing requirement, please send email to partner@cmmiinstitute.com. We will be happy to review and discuss these on a case-by-case basis.