**Section 3**

**Data and the Facility Assessment**

**Section 3** provides organizations with an overview of data sources and how organizations can use evidence-based, data-driven methods (leveraged from multiple data sources) that consider the types of diseases, conditions, physical and behavioral health issues, cognitive disabilities, overall acuity, and other pertinent factors that guide the facility in assessing their resident population. Data will assist leaders and their teams in identifying trends, needs, skill set needs, staffing plan, and resources necessary to provide care and services to their residents as outlined in the facility assessment requirements.