

CMS Swing Bed Requirements

For Acute and Critical Access Hospitals

Overview

Swing Beds can be a financial lifeline for smaller hospitals and Critical Access Hospitals. This webinar will focus on swing bed regulations in Appendix A for Acute hospitals, and Appendix W for Critical Access Hospitals. Interpretive guidelines and survey procedures are under Appendix PP – Long Term Care manual – which will be discussed in the corresponding regulation sections.

It is challenging to figure out what the interpretive guidelines and survey procedures are as there is there was no crosswalk between the two Appendices and Appendix PP. The webinar was created to assist hospitals in understanding what needs to be done.

Also to be discussed will be common deficiencies involving swing beds and how to avoid them.

Objectives

- Discuss the requirements for a patient to be admitted to Swing Bed status
- Recall how to locate the regulation and interpretive guidelines and survey procedures for swing beds
- Describe what is required by CMS to be in the resident assessment which is done to do the care plan
- Recall the CMS requirements for emergency dental care for swing bed patients

Agenda

Manual and Introduction to Conditions of Participation

- Introduction
- Common Swing Bed deficiencies

Special Requirements for Providers of Swing Beds Services

- Introduction to Swing Beds
- Eligibility requirements
- Interpretive guidelines and survey procedure under Appendix PP
- Three-day stay
- Eligibility
- Payment
- Healthcare literacy
- SNF Services
- Patient/Resident Rights

- Exercise of Rights
- Notice of Rights and Services
- Free Choice
- Privacy and Confidentiality
- Visitors and notification
- Work
- Mail
- Access and Visitation Rights
- Personal Property
- Married Couples
- Admission, Transfer and Discharge Rights
- Transfer and Discharge
- Payment of care
- Content of notice
- Resident Behavior and Facility Practices
- Restraints, Abuse and Neglect
- Reporting requirements
- Staff Treatment of Residents
- Hiring of employees
- Patient Activities
- Social Services
- Resident Assessment
- Comprehensive Care Plans
- PASARR or RAI
- Trauma informed care
- Discharge Summary
- Rehabilitation services
- Dental services
- Nutrition

Appendix and Resources

Who Should Attend?

- CEO
- COO
- CFO
- Nurse executives
- Accreditation and Compliance/Regulation director
- Nurse managers
- Pharmacists
- Quality managers
- Risk managers
- Health information management personnel

- Social workers
- Dieticians
- Nurses
- Nurse educators
- Nursing supervisors
- Patient safety officer
- Director of Rehab (OT, PT, speech pathology, and audiology)
- Infection preventionist
- Anyone who is responsible for care of swing bed patients in a CAH
- Persons responsible implementing the CMS swing bed requirements

SPEAKER

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Laura A. Dixon recently served as the Regional Director of Risk Management and Patient Safety for Kaiser Permanente Colorado where she provided consultation and resources to clinical staff. Prior to joining Kaiser, she served as the Director, Facility Patient Safety and Risk Management and Operations for COPIC from 2014 to 2020. In her role, Ms. Dixon provided patient safety and risk management consultation and training to facilities, practitioners, and staff in multiple states. Such services included creation of and presentations on risk management topics, assessment of healthcare facilities; and development of programs and compilation of reference materials that complement physician-oriented products.

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Ms. Dixon has more than twenty years of clinical experience in acute care facilities, including critical care, coronary care, peri-operative services, and pain management.

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