

42 C.F.R. § 409.43

Plan of care requirements.

- (a) *Contents.* An individualized plan of care must be established and periodically reviewed by the certifying physician or allowed practitioner.
- (1) The HHA must be acting upon a plan of care that meets the requirements of this section for HHA services to be covered.
- (2) For HHA services to be covered, the individualized plan of care must specify the services necessary to meet the patient-specific needs identified in the comprehensive assessment.

(3)

- (i) The plan of care must include all of the following:
- (A) The identification of the responsible discipline(s) and the frequency and duration of all visits as well as those items listed in § 484.60(a) of this chapter that establish the need for such services.
- (B) Any provision of remote patient monitoring or other services furnished via telecommunications technology (as defined in § 409.46(e)) or audio-only technology. Such services must be tied to the patient-specific needs as identified in the comprehensive assessment, cannot substitute for a home visit ordered as part of the plan of care, and cannot be considered a home visit for the purposes of patient eligibility or payment.
- (ii) All care provided must be in accordance with the plan of care.

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