
42 C.F.R. § 412.503

Definitions.

As used in this subpart—

CMS stands for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

Discharge. A Medicare patient in a long-term care hospital is considered discharged when—

- (1) For purposes of the long-term care hospital qualification calculation, as described in § 412.23(e)(3), the patient is formally released;
- (2) For purposes of payment, as described in § 412.521(b), the patient stops receiving Medicare-covered long-term care services; or
- (3) The patient dies in the long-term care facility.

Long-term care hospital prospective payment system fiscal year means, beginning October 1, 2010, the 12-month period of October 1 through September 30.

Long-term care hospital prospective payment system payment year means the general term that encompasses both the definition of “long-term care hospital prospective payment system rate year” and “long-term care hospital prospective payment system fiscal year” specified in this section.

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