

## 42 C.F.R. § 412.508

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### Medical review requirements.

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(a) *Admission and quality review.* A long-term care hospital must have an agreement with a QIO to have the QIO review, on an ongoing basis, the following:

- (1) The medical necessity, reasonableness, and appropriateness of hospital admissions and discharges.
- (2) The medical necessity, reasonableness, and appropriateness of inpatient hospital care for which additional payment is sought under the outlier provisions of §§ 412.523(d)(1) and 412.525(a).
- (3) The validity of the hospital's diagnostic and procedural information.
- (4) The completeness, adequacy, and quality of the services furnished in the hospital.
- (5) Other medical or other practices with respect to beneficiaries or billing for services furnished to beneficiaries.

(b) *Physician acknowledgement.* Payment under the long-term care hospital prospective payment system is based in part on each patient's principal and secondary diagnoses and major procedures performed, as evidenced by the physician's entries in the patient's medical record. The hospital must assure that physicians complete an acknowledgement statement to this effect in accordance with paragraphs (b)(1) and (b)(2) of this section.

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