
42 C.F.R. § 485.645

Special requirements for CAH providers of long-term care services (“swing-beds”)

A CAH must meet the following requirements in order to be granted an approval from CMS to provide post-CAH SNF care, as specified in § 409.30 of this chapter, and to be paid for SNF-level services, in accordance with paragraph (c) of this section.

(a) *Eligibility.* A CAH must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- (1) The facility has been certified as a CAH by CMS under § 485.606(b) of this subpart; and
- (2) The facility provides not more than 25 inpatient beds. Any bed of a unit of the facility that is licensed as a distinct-part SNF at the time the facility applies to the State for designation as a CAH is not counted under paragraph (a) of this section.

(b) *Facilities participating as rural primary care hospitals (RPHs) on September 30, 1997.* These facilities must meet the following requirements:

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