

## Inpatient Rehabilitation Hospitals and Units vs. SNFs

Required by Medicare	Inpatient Rehabilitation Hospitals and Units	Nursing Homes
Close Medical Supervision By a Physician With Specialized Training	Yes	No
24-Hour Rehabilitation Nursing	Yes	No
Patients must require hospital-level care	Yes	No
Physician approval of preadmission screen and admission	Yes	No
Medical care and therapy provided by a physician-led multidisciplinary medical team including specialty trained registered nurses	Yes	No
3 hours of intensive therapy per day; 5 days per week	Yes	No
Readmission rates to general acute hospitals (2008 MedPAC Data Book)	9.5%	22.0%
Discharge rate to community	81.1%	45.5%
2010 Medicare fee for service spending	\$6.4 billion	\$26.4 billion
Increase in Medicare FFS spending from 2004 to 2010	No increase	52.5% increase

Unless another source is noted, the data cited in this document are drawn from the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission's March 2011 Report to Congress, June 2011 Data Book and December 16, 2011 Commissioners Meeting; and SNF Final Rule.

