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Source: Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services Certification and Survey Provider Enhanced Reporting (CMS-CASPER) formerly OSCAR data as of March 2015

Table 1: Nursing Facility Control, March 2015

State	Facilities	Multifacilities	Independent	Hospital-based
US	15,639	56.0%	44.0%	5.5%
AK	18	33.3%	66.7%	61.1%
AL	226	59.3%	40.7%	5.3%
AR	229	6.6%	93.4%	2.6%
AZ	146	65.1%	34.9%	2.1%
CA	1,216	49.7%	50.3%	8.2%
CO	214	65.9%	34.1%	3.7%
CT	229	52.0%	48.0%	1.3%
DC	19	31.6%	68.4%	21.1%
DE	46	63.0%	37.0%	0.0%
FL	688	61.3%	38.7%	1.2%
GA	356	76.4%	23.6%	11.2%
HI	46	58.7%	41.3%	30.4%
IA	443	54.6%	45.4%	6.3%
ID	78	67.9%	32.1%	17.9%
IL	761	48.0%	52.0%	3.9%
IN	528	79.9%	20.1%	2.5%
KS	345	51.6%	48.4%	11.9%
KY	288	61.8%	38.2%	8.3%
LA	280	53.2%	46.8%	4.6%
MA	414	58.0%	42.0%	1.4%
MD	228	57.9%	42.1%	3.9%
ME	103	63.1%	36.9%	4.9%
MI	434	56.2%	43.8%	5.3%
MN	378	54.2%	45.8%	11.9%
MO	512	50.4%	49.6%	2.1%
MS	205	50.7%	49.3%	10.2%
MT	83	36.1%	63.9%	26.5%
NC	421	75.3%	24.7%	4.8%
ND	81	46.9%	53.1%	14.8%
NE	219	57.5%	42.5%	8.7%
NH	76	57.9%	42.1%	2.6%
NJ	363	36.4%	63.6%	4.1%
NM	71	53.5%	46.5%	1.4%
NV	53	67.9%	32.1%	15.1%
NY	629	12.6%	87.4%	9.5%
OH	952	64.7%	35.3%	1.9%
OK	308	31.8%	68.2%	2.3%
OR	138	71.7%	28.3%	1.4%
PA	698	59.0%	41.0%	5.0%
RI	84	40.5%	59.5%	0.0%
SC	188	73.4%	26.6%	5.9%
SD	111	59.5%	40.5%	12.6%
TN	322	66.8%	33.2%	5.9%
TX	1,213	66.4%	33.6%	2.5%
UT	99	72.7%	27.3%	4.0%
VA	287	74.2%	25.8%	3.1%
VT	37	40.5%	59.5%	5.4%
WA	221	65.6%	34.4%	4.1%
WI	389	48.3%	51.7%	4.6%
WV	127	55.1%	44.9%	16.5%
WY	39	48.7%	51.3%	33.3%

Source: CMS Form 671:F10, F13. Fields are not mutually exclusive *Multifacility ownership is two or more facilities owned or operated by the same organization.

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Table 2: Nursing Facility Ownership, March 2015

State	Facilities	For Profit	Nonprofit	Government
US	15,639	69.8%	24.0%	6.2%
AK	18	5.6%	55.6%	38.9%
AL	226	81.0%	12.8%	6.2%
AR	229	84.3%	12.2%	3.5%
AZ	146	79.5%	18.5%	2.1%
CA	1,216	83.6%	13.2%	3.1%
CO	214	76.6%	15.9%	7.5%
CT	229	79.5%	19.7%	0.9%
DC	19	47.4%	52.6%	.
DE	46	67.4%	23.9%	8.7%
FL	688	72.7%	25.3%	2.0%
GA	356	66.0%	28.7%	5.3%
HI	46	47.8%	28.3%	23.9%
IA	443	53.7%	42.7%	3.6%
ID	78	73.1%	12.8%	14.1%
IL	761	72.4%	24.4%	3.2%
IN	528	43.6%	24.2%	32.2%
KS	345	52.2%	35.1%	12.8%
KY	288	73.6%	23.3%	3.1%
LA	280	80.7%	14.6%	4.6%
MA	414	71.5%	27.3%	1.2%
MD	228	70.2%	27.6%	2.2%
ME	103	69.9%	29.1%	1.0%
MI	434	71.4%	20.3%	8.3%
MN	378	30.4%	61.1%	8.5%
MO	512	75.6%	17.8%	6.6%
MS	205	77.6%	9.8%	12.7%
MT	83	45.8%	36.1%	18.1%
NC	421	79.6%	17.8%	2.6%
ND	81	2.5%	95.1%	2.5%
NE	219	49.3%	28.8%	21.9%
NH	76	60.5%	25.0%	14.5%
NJ	363	72.2%	23.4%	4.4%
NM	71	70.4%	22.5%	7.0%
NV	53	75.5%	13.2%	11.3%
NY	629	55.8%	38.0%	6.2%
OH	952	79.0%	18.8%	2.2%
OK	308	85.4%	12.3%	2.3%
OR	138	80.4%	16.7%	2.9%
PA	698	55.0%	40.7%	4.3%
RI	84	77.4%	22.6%	.
SC	188	76.6%	17.6%	5.9%
SD	111	36.0%	59.5%	4.5%
TN	322	79.8%	15.2%	5.0%
TX	1,213	86.0%	9.6%	4.5%
UT	99	80.8%	12.1%	7.1%
VA	287	69.0%	27.5%	3.5%
VT	37	64.9%	32.4%	2.7%
WA	221	72.4%	21.7%	5.9%
WI	389	52.4%	33.9%	13.6%
WV	127	74.0%	19.7%	6.3%
WY	39	41.0%	20.5%	38.5%

Source: CMS Form 671:F12

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Table 3: Nursing Facility Certification, March 2015

State	Facilities	Medicare Only	Medicaid Only	Medicare and Medicaid
US	15,639	4.9%	2.9%	92.2%
AK	18	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
AL	226	3.1%	0.9%	96.0%
AR	229	1.7%	1.7%	96.5%
AZ	146	19.9%	0.0%	80.1%
CA	1,216	5.2%	4.2%	90.6%
CO	214	13.1%	5.1%	81.8%
CT	229	4.8%	0.0%	95.2%
DC	19	0.0%	5.3%	94.7%
DE	46	6.5%	10.9%	82.6%
FL	688	4.2%	0.3%	95.5%
GA	356	3.1%	0.8%	96.1%
HI	46	4.3%	0.0%	95.7%
IA	443	1.8%	5.2%	93.0%
ID	78	7.7%	0.0%	92.3%
IL	761	5.4%	7.0%	87.6%
IN	528	5.1%	1.7%	93.2%
KS	345	3.5%	15.4%	81.2%
KY	288	6.6%	0.0%	93.4%
LA	280	7.5%	0.0%	92.5%
MA	414	3.4%	1.2%	95.4%
MD	228	4.4%	1.3%	94.3%
ME	103	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
MI	434	3.9%	2.1%	94.0%
MN	378	2.4%	2.6%	95.0%
MO	512	1.8%	3.5%	94.7%
MS	205	3.4%	12.7%	83.9%
MT	83	1.2%	1.2%	97.6%
NC	421	4.3%	0.5%	95.2%
ND	81	1.2%	0.0%	98.8%
NE	219	0.5%	8.7%	90.9%
NH	76	2.6%	5.3%	92.1%
NJ	363	8.3%	0.0%	91.7%
NM	71	7.0%	2.8%	90.1%
NV	53	7.5%	3.8%	88.7%
NY	629	1.6%	0.3%	98.1%
OH	952	2.5%	0.0%	97.5%
OK	308	4.5%	4.2%	91.2%
OR	138	5.1%	9.4%	85.5%
PA	698	10.5%	0.9%	88.7%
RI	84	1.2%	0.0%	98.8%
SC	188	17.6%	0.0%	82.4%
SD	111	0.9%	11.7%	87.4%
TN	322	8.1%	3.1%	88.8%
TX	1,213	5.6%	2.4%	92.0%
UT	99	16.2%	6.1%	77.8%
VA	287	5.6%	4.9%	89.5%
VT	37	2.7%	0.0%	97.3%
WA	221	3.2%	2.3%	94.6%
WI	389	2.6%	3.3%	94.1%
WV	127	5.5%	7.9%	86.6%
WY	39	5.1%	10.3%	84.6%

Source: CMS Form 671:F9

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Table 4: Nursing Facility State and Median Occupancy Rate for Certified Beds, March 2015

State	Facilities	Patients	Beds	State Occupancy*	Median Facility Occupancy
US	15,632	1,368,351	1,662,757	82.3%	85.8%
AK	18	624	693	90.0%	93.7%
AL	226	22,772	26,385	86.3%	88.6%
AR	229	17,719	24,533	72.2%	75.0%
AZ	146	11,487	16,454	69.8%	72.9%
CA	1,216	102,617	119,210	86.1%	88.9%
CO	214	16,355	20,451	80.0%	82.7%
CT	229	24,176	27,652	87.4%	90.0%
DC	19	2,521	2,766	91.1%	91.1%
DE	46	4,279	4,846	88.3%	90.7%
FL	688	73,492	83,061	88.5%	90.0%
GA	356	33,930	39,935	85.0%	89.2%
HI	46	3,643	4,043	90.1%	91.4%
IA	443	24,908	31,241	79.7%	81.1%
ID	78	3,918	5,951	65.8%	70.5%
IL	761	72,523	93,813	77.3%	78.2%
IN	528	39,043	50,964	76.6%	73.5%
KS	345	18,405	22,795	80.7%	77.8%
KY	288	23,319	26,676	87.4%	90.0%
LA	280	25,859	34,473	75.0%	75.3%
MA	414	41,055	47,271	86.9%	90.0%
MD	228	24,487	27,751	88.2%	89.8%
ME	103	6,176	6,864	90.0%	92.9%
MI	434	39,553	46,412	85.2%	87.5%
MN	376	26,386	29,538	89.3%	90.8%
MO	512	38,329	52,984	72.3%	72.3%
MS	205	16,124	18,473	87.3%	91.6%
MT	83	4,566	6,732	67.8%	69.6%
NC	421	36,887	44,196	83.5%	86.7%
ND	81	5,648	6,105	92.5%	95.0%
NE	219	12,038	15,799	76.2%	77.8%
NH	76	6,773	7,525	90.0%	91.1%
NJ	363	45,234	52,253	86.6%	89.3%
NM	71	5,431	6,869	79.1%	82.1%
NV	53	4,807	6,048	79.5%	85.0%
NY	629	105,167	116,739	90.1%	93.8%
OH	949	76,037	90,199	84.3%	87.0%
OK	308	18,958	28,484	66.6%	67.9%
OR	138	7,366	12,241	60.2%	59.7%
PA	697	79,383	87,778	90.4%	92.5%
RI	84	8,026	8,720	92.0%	92.9%
SC	188	16,772	19,276	87.0%	88.6%
SD	111	6,352	6,939	91.5%	94.0%
TN	322	28,961	36,928	78.4%	81.3%
TX	1,213	93,201	131,967	70.6%	70.4%
UT	99	5,541	8,527	65.0%	70.0%
VA	287	28,445	32,179	88.4%	89.6%
VT	37	2,685	3,174	84.6%	90.9%
WA	221	17,118	21,171	80.9%	83.3%
WI	388	27,365	33,828	80.9%	84.3%
WV	127	9,549	10,880	87.8%	91.7%
WY	39	2,341	2,965	79.0%	80.6%

Source: CMS Form 671:L18, L37, L38, L39 and Form 672:F78. *State occupancy is calculated by dividing the sum of patients occupying certified beds by the sum of all certified beds in the state. CASPER data only reflects patients who occupy a certified bed. Occupancy rate of 0% and greater than 100% were eliminated from this analysis.

Table 5: Nursing Facility Beds in Dedicated Special Care Units, March 2015

State	Total Beds	Aids	Alzheimer's	Hospice	Ventilator	Rehab	Other	Total Special Care Beds
US	1,698,956	425	75,075	1,657	9,487	14,695	4,570	105,909
AK	693	0	37	1	0	0	0	38
AL	26,388	0	1,460	0	39	348	58	1,905
AR	24,558	0	425	14	11	32	0	482
AZ	16,563	0	990	5	256	125	22	1,398
CA	120,420	64	2,635	198	3,046	1,750	619	8,312
CO	20,451	162	1,848	249	94	255	329	2,937
CT	27,671	30	1,970	0	76	1,105	0	3,181
DC	2,766	0	48	0	8	0	0	56
DE	4,876	0	408	2	71	74	35	590
FL	83,518	0	4,124	75	369	439	196	5,203
GA	39,963	0	1,251	15	108	255	1	1,630
HI	4,193	0	106	2	91	0	30	229
IA	34,298	0	1,711	53	37	226	106	2,133
ID	5,951	0	162	74	41	108	132	517
IL	98,883	1	4,838	33	586	1,124	123	6,705
IN	60,429	0	6,135	62	69	271	387	6,924
KS	25,699	0	82	0	0	18	0	100
KY	27,002	0	691	0	140	50	121	1,002
LA	35,302	0	1,446	0	298	220	18	1,982
MA	48,084	0	3,687	1	84	337	327	4,436
MD	28,091	0	995	26	379	203	12	1,615
ME	6,865	1	368	1	1	19	4	394
MI	46,570	0	1,058	12	234	113	0	1,417
MN	30,223	0	2,229	35	64	1,236	90	3,654
MO	55,286	16	4,284	242	0	687	181	5,410
MS	18,479	0	162	0	0	20	0	182
MT	6,732	0	542	16	0	112	3	673
NC	45,055	0	1,575	4	67	249	0	1,895
ND	6,105	0	449	1	0	48	0	498
NE	16,013	0	943	68	88	73	32	1,204
NH	7,525	0	632	13	31	130	67	873
NJ	52,310	86	1,684	1	230	203	629	2,833
NM	6,869	0	471	11	0	0	3	485
NV	6,078	0	277	0	271	80	55	683
NY	117,136	20	3,858	124	594	1,944	638	7,178
OH	90,521	16	4,836	138	213	818	48	6,069
OK	28,826	29	544	10	42	0	4	629
OR	12,393	0	268	0	0	0	58	326
PA	87,986	0	5,678	27	839	718	22	7,284
RI	8,720	0	1,262	1	27	417	0	1,707
SC	19,631	0	157	41	20	57	3	278
SD	6,939	0	532	3	4	16	8	563
TN	37,293	0	76	2	121	0	1	200
TX	136,353	0	2,840	21	323	108	131	3,423
UT	8,552	0	358	0	110	34	12	514
VA	32,489	0	968	6	120	118	0	1,212
VT	3,174	0	234	0	0	0	22	256
WA	21,288	0	817	1	170	221	5	1,214
WI	33,893	0	2,402	51	115	285	38	2,891
WV	10,888	0	265	18	0	49	0	332
WY	2,965	0	257	0	0	0	0	257

Source: CMS Form 671: F15 - F22

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Table 6: Nursing Facility Beds by Certification Type, March 2015

State	Facilities	Total Beds	Medicare	Medicare/Medicaid	Medicaid	Non-Certified
US	15,639	1,698,956	97,544	1,497,308	68,386	35,718
AK	18	693	0	693	0	0
AL	226	26,388	356	25,917	112	3
AR	229	24,558	456	23,182	895	25
AZ	146	16,563	2,021	13,744	689	109
CA	1,216	120,420	3,752	109,872	5,586	1,210
CO	214	20,451	2,334	16,580	1,537	0
CT	229	27,671	474	27,162	16	19
DC	19	2,766	0	2,534	232	0
DE	46	4,876	195	4,369	282	30
FL	688	83,518	7,053	75,333	675	457
GA	356	39,963	765	37,563	1,607	28
HI	46	4,193	81	3,958	4	150
IA	443	34,298	573	28,273	2,395	3,057
ID	78	5,951	183	5,763	5	0
IL	761	98,883	10,901	63,625	19,287	5,070
IN	528	60,429	6,577	42,950	1,437	9,465
KS	345	25,699	642	19,462	2,691	2,904
KY	288	27,002	2,243	24,253	180	326
LA	280	35,302	2,517	31,956	0	829
MA	414	48,084	762	45,661	848	813
MD	228	28,091	802	26,737	212	340
ME	103	6,865	79	6,631	154	1
MI	434	46,570	4,124	41,397	891	158
MN	378	30,223	473	28,284	962	504
MO	512	55,286	2,919	46,078	3,987	2,302
MS	205	18,479	397	15,950	2,126	6
MT	83	6,732	27	6,605	100	0
NC	421	45,055	893	42,808	495	859
ND	81	6,105	19	6,086	0	0
NE	219	16,013	867	13,788	1,144	214
NH	76	7,525	144	7,009	372	0
NJ	363	52,310	2,653	48,962	638	57
NM	71	6,869	206	6,592	71	0
NV	53	6,078	142	5,585	321	30
NY	629	117,136	219	116,286	234	397
OH	952	90,521	1,130	89,237	50	104
OK	308	28,826	932	26,304	1,248	342
OR	138	12,393	373	10,607	1,261	152
PA	698	87,986	3,865	81,753	2,212	156
RI	84	8,720	131	8,409	180	0
SC	188	19,631	1,964	17,186	126	355
SD	111	6,939	101	6,220	618	0
TN	322	37,293	1,610	31,249	4,069	365
TX	1,213	136,353	27,677	101,704	2,586	4,386
UT	99	8,552	1,140	7,077	310	25
VA	287	32,489	1,497	28,939	1,743	310
VT	37	3,174	58	3,013	103	0
WA	221	21,288	441	19,485	1,245	117
WI	389	33,893	436	32,364	1,058	35
WV	127	10,888	284	9,405	1,191	8
WY	39	2,965	56	2,708	201	0

Source: CMS Form 1539: L37, L38, L39

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Table 7: Average Full-Time Equivalent Direct Care Staff per Facility by State, March 2015

State	Facilities	Total Direct Care Staff	RN Staff	LPN Staff	Aide Staff**
US	14,869	66.72	8.61	14.83	43.27
AK	12	49.04	11.43	5.48	32.13
AL	222	83.81	8.45	20.66	54.70
AR	227	62.24	2.71	14.92	44.61
AZ	141	66.00	9.31	15.48	41.21
CA	1,144	71.06	9.85	15.93	45.28
CO	210	58.26	10.58	10.97	36.71
CT	223	81.09	12.10	16.72	52.27
DC	19	122.48	19.94	25.37	77.17
DE	46	76.83	12.98	17.93	45.92
FL	674	88.75	8.95	19.99	59.81
GA	335	66.99	4.54	20.08	42.37
HI	40	73.20	16.36	7.97	48.87
IA	425	40.15	5.60	7.10	27.45
ID	77	44.69	6.84	7.89	29.96
IL	735	63.00	11.20	11.12	40.67
IN	510	57.18	7.41	14.83	34.94
KS	325	40.72	4.95	6.92	28.84
KY	270	64.12	7.49	15.72	40.92
LA	263	62.72	2.71	17.98	42.03
MA	400	75.07	11.39	16.27	47.41
MD	210	84.17	13.37	19.41	51.38
ME	97	51.76	9.87	5.33	36.56
MI	417	72.04	10.09	14.76	47.18
MN	354	53.61	8.08	10.67	34.86
MO	497	54.71	4.61	11.46	38.63
MS	190	60.94	6.41	16.10	38.43
MT	79	42.90	7.72	5.64	29.54
NC	394	67.36	7.87	15.48	44.01
ND	68	60.87	7.37	9.48	44.02
NE	212	43.04	5.86	8.38	28.80
NH	74	71.58	12.91	11.44	47.23
NJ	350	91.76	15.74	19.09	56.92
NM	60	53.12	7.22	8.08	37.83
NV	48	75.40	12.82	17.00	45.59
NY	591	126.79	17.31	28.05	81.43
OH	921	60.12	7.75	14.57	37.81
OK	299	44.27	2.34	10.49	31.44
OR	132	47.15	6.16	7.17	33.81
PA	671	83.85	12.93	19.32	51.60
RI	83	68.34	12.91	6.39	49.04
SC	182	67.73	7.44	16.70	43.60
SD	102	40.03	6.96	4.17	28.90
TN	318	65.32	5.99	18.56	40.77
TX	1,082	53.97	3.80	14.49	35.68
UT	94	47.16	11.15	5.13	30.89
VA	273	74.13	7.66	20.87	45.59
VT	34	60.00	9.85	11.83	38.33
WA	215	63.60	11.94	10.14	41.53
WI	373	55.17	10.15	7.84	37.18
WV	114	52.33	6.70	13.71	31.92
WY	37	43.42	8.95	5.25	29.21

Note: Staff positions are measured in full-time equivalents, which is based on a 35-hour workweek. **Aide staff is equal to the sum of certified nurse aides+nurse aides in training+medication aides. Due to invalid or incomplete data, some facilities were eliminated from the staffing analysis. Source: CMS Form 671:F41-F45, current surveys.
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Table 8: Average Direct Care Staff Hours per Patient Day by State, March 2015

State	Total Direct Care Staff HPPD	RN HPPD	LPN HPPD	Aide HPPD*
US	3.75	0.48	0.83	2.43
AK	6.09	1.42	0.68	3.99
AL	4.12	0.41	1.01	2.69
AR	4.01	0.17	0.96	2.87
AZ	4.10	0.58	0.96	2.56
CA	4.15	0.58	0.93	2.64
CO	3.79	0.69	0.71	2.39
CT	3.79	0.57	0.78	2.44
DC	4.62	0.75	0.96	2.91
DE	4.13	0.70	0.96	2.47
FL	4.14	0.42	0.93	2.79
GA	3.47	0.24	1.04	2.20
HI	4.14	0.92	0.45	2.76
IA	3.53	0.49	0.63	2.42
ID	4.43	0.68	0.78	2.97
IL	3.25	0.58	0.57	2.10
IN	3.79	0.49	0.98	2.32
KS	3.77	0.46	0.64	2.67
KY	3.84	0.45	0.94	2.45
LA	3.34	0.14	0.96	2.24
MA	3.73	0.57	0.81	2.36
MD	3.91	0.62	0.90	2.39
ME	4.24	0.81	0.44	3.00
MI	3.91	0.55	0.80	2.56
MN	3.75	0.57	0.75	2.44
MO	3.59	0.30	0.75	2.54
MS	3.80	0.40	1.00	2.40
MT	3.77	0.68	0.50	2.60
NC	3.74	0.44	0.86	2.44
ND	4.16	0.50	0.65	3.01
NE	3.87	0.53	0.75	2.59
NH	3.93	0.71	0.63	2.59
NJ	3.66	0.63	0.76	2.27
NM	3.30	0.45	0.50	2.35
NV	3.96	0.67	0.89	2.39
NY	3.68	0.50	0.81	2.36
OH	3.70	0.48	0.90	2.33
OK	3.58	0.19	0.85	2.54
OR	4.37	0.57	0.66	3.13
PA	3.62	0.56	0.83	2.23
RI	3.56	0.67	0.33	2.55
SC	3.77	0.41	0.93	2.43
SD	3.40	0.59	0.35	2.45
TN	3.61	0.33	1.02	2.25
TX	3.47	0.24	0.93	2.30
UT	4.05	0.96	0.44	2.65
VA	3.67	0.38	1.03	2.26
VT	3.97	0.65	0.78	2.54
WA	4.08	0.77	0.65	2.66
WI	3.85	0.71	0.55	2.59
WV	3.42	0.44	0.90	2.09
WY	3.46	0.71	0.42	2.33

Note: Staff positions are measured in full-time equivalents, which is based on a 35-hour workweek. *Aide staff is equal to the sum of certified nurse aides+nurse aides in training+medication aides. Due to invalid or incomplete data, some facilities were eliminated from the staffing analysis. Source: CMS Form 671:F41-F45, current surveys.

Glossary of Terms for use with CASPER data

Certified Beds This measure represents the total number of certified beds in the nursing home. Some nursing homes can have a combination of Medicare, Medicaid, and/or private pay beds. Please check with the nursing home to find out what types of beds are available.

Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs) provide care on a twenty-four hour basis. They work under the direction of a licensed nurse to assist patients with activities of daily living, i.e., eating, grooming, hygiene, dressing, transferring, and toileting. All full-time certified nursing assistants (CNAs) must have completed a competency evaluation program or nurse assistant training within 4 months of their permanent employment. They must also pursue continuing education each year.

Hospital-based - The nursing home is affiliated with a hospital.

Hours Per Patient Day is computed as the sum of the total number of hours worked by direct care staff in each category, and is then divided by a 35-work week and by the number of patients.

Medicare is the federal health insurance program for: people 65 years of age or older, certain younger people with disabilities, and people with End-Stage Renal Disease (permanent kidney failure with dialysis or a transplant, sometimes called ESRD). Medicare pays for some nursing home care in specific situations and for no more than 100 days for each benefit period. A benefit period begins the day you go to a skilled nursing facility. The benefit period ends when you have not received skilled nursing care for 60 days in a row.

Medicaid is a joint federal and state program that helps with medical costs for some people with low incomes and limited resources. Medicaid programs vary from state to state, but most health care costs are covered if you qualify for both Medicare and Medicaid. Medicaid pays for long term care for people with low incomes and resources. Check out with your State Medicaid Agency for the income levels in your State. If a nursing home does not participate in the Medicaid program and does not accept Medicaid patients, and the resident runs out of other funds/coverage, the resident will have to move to another nursing home if he/she wants to be on Medicaid.

Multifacility Multi-nursing home chains have two or more homes under one ownership or operation.

Nursing Home A residence that provides a room, meals, and help with activities of daily living and recreation. Generally, nursing home residents have physical or mental problems that keep them from living on their own. They usually require daily assistance.

Occupancy This measure indicates the percentage of certified beds occupied by residents at the time of the inspection. It is obtained by taking the number of residents occupying certified beds at the time of the inspection divided by the total number of certified beds in the nursing home.

Ownership Nursing homes can be run by private for-profit corporations, non-profit corporations, religious affiliated organizations or government entities.

Registered Nurses and Licensed Practical and Vocational Nurses - Registered nurses (RNs) have between 2 and 6 years of education. Licensed practical and vocational nurses (LPNs/LVNs) generally have 1 year of training. By law, RNs must assess residents' needs. RNs and LPNs/LVNs work together to plan care, implement care and treatment, and evaluate residents' outcomes. Nurses must be licensed in the state and are on site to provide care to residents twenty-four hours per day, seven days a week.

Residents in Certified Beds This number tells you how many residents in certified beds were living in the nursing home at the time of the inspection.



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