

Amerigroup BlueCross tiers SNF network

It is important to know when a member is discharged to a Skilled Nursing Facility setting to coordinate patient care. To help ensure optimal quality with reduced readmissions to acute care facilities, Amerigroup* Community Care is implementing tiering for our Skilled Nursing Facility provider network based on a preferred designation for qualified providers within Amerigroup's Medicare Advantage network.

The preferred SNF provider designation is an important step to identify a group of providers who treat a higher volume of our Medicare Advantage members and help ensure high quality outcomes. Members that receive care at a preferred SNF provider will have a lower cost share.

What this means to you: Please refer Amerigroup Medicare members to a preferred SNF provider within acceptable time and distance standards when available. In some instances where preferred Skilled Nursing Facility locations are not available, please refer Amerigroup members to another participating Amerigroup Skilled Nursing Facility location within acceptable time and distance from the member's location. Preferred SNF providers can be identified in Amerigroup directories with an indicator next to their name.

About Amerigroup's Recommended Skilled Nursing Facility Network

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services works with Medicare Advantage health plans to help ensure that our members are receiving the quality healthcare. Our goal is to improve the ability to collaborate with Skilled Nursing Facilities that see a high volume of our Medicare Advantage membership to help ensure our members receive high quality and cost efficient care. CMS STAR ratings and evaluation of additional services offered at SNF locations were included in this assessment.

Amerigroup's Skilled Nursing Facility tiering is applicable to our Medicare Advantage network, but does not include the following Medicare products: DSNP, CSNP, and ISNP.

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Amerivantage is a DSNP plan with a Medicare contract and a contract with the State Medicaid program. In New Mexico: Amerivantage is an HMO with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in Amerivantage depends on contract renewal.