

Temporary suspension of clinical review requirements for admission to skilled nursing facilities from certain hospitals at higher inpatient bed occupancy ending

On May 31, 2021, the temporary suspension of clinical review requirements for admission to skilled nursing facilities from certain hospitals at higher inpatient bed occupancy will expire. Starting June 1, all transfers to SNFs will require clinical review. This temporary change went into effect on April 12, 2021 for Blue Cross commercial, Blue Care Network commercial, Medicare Plus BlueSM and BCN AdvantageSM members.

These changes have been reflected in the *Temporary changes due to the COVID-19 pandemic* document and *Temporary suspension of clinical review requirements to a skilled nursing facility* document both found on our coronavirus webpage available through Provider Secured Services. The *Temporary changes due to the COVID-19 pandemic* document can also be found on our public website at bcbsm.com/coronavirus (click the *Health Care Providers* tab).