

Golden Plains  
Community Hospital  
strives to uphold  
ethical principles of:

Beneficence...we should do good and prevent or avoid doing harm.

Autonomy...persons are free to make decisions regarding their own lives.

Justice...all persons are to be treated fairly and equally.

Fidelity...persons have an obligation to be faithful, truthful, and to keep promises.

Spiritual Care...should be available for all persons to request.

*Quality Care-  
Where you live*



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*Swing Bed*

Your Transition from  
Here to Home

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## What is Swing Bed?

The Swing-Bed program is a short-stay program designed to serve those individuals who are in a transition phase of illness or recovery and no longer require acute care services. You no longer require acute treatment, but would benefit from therapies and skilled nursing services offered from short term rehabilitation. Our goal is to keep you on the road to good health by offering:

- Physical Therapy
- Antibiotic Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Respiratory Therapy

Sometimes you may have a need to remain hospitalized beyond the acute stage or an illness, surgery or injury. Our Swing-Bed Program makes it possible for you to remain at the hospital for these support services until you are able to return home.

## Benefits of the Swing-Bed Program

The Swing-Bed Program allows individuals to recover and gain strength as they transition from acute care to home. The skilled care focuses on strengthening and increasing independence. It is the patient's choice where to go for the Swing Bed services and if denied they need to contact CMS.



## Plan/Goals

A plan of care will be developed with you, your family and a team of professionals to assist in meeting your goals. Your health care team will include your

Doctor  
Physical Therapists  
Nurses  
Occupational Therapist  
Social Workers  
Respiratory Therapists  
Activities Coordinators  
Dietician  
Case Manager

## Who Qualifies?

In order for Medicare to pay for the Swing-Bed Program, specific qualifying medical criteria must be met. Following a hospital stay of at least three nights, an individual must require either skilled nursing or skilled therapy services.

## What does Medicare cover?

Swing-Bed is covered under the Medicare skilled nursing facility (nursing home) benefit. Medicare will cover up to twenty (20) days in full and up to one hundred (100) days with a co-payment as long as Medicare criteria are met. Medicare supplements will usually pay the deductible as long as Medicare continues coverage.

## Your Stay

In order to remain in Swing-Bed status you must participate in skilled nursing therapies and show daily improvement. Your progress will be assessed regularly and discussed with you by members of your health care team.