

SECTION 21: SHORT-TERM INPATIENT CARE

Inpatient care shall be available for pain control, symptom management, respite purposes, and shall be provided in licensed facilities, as stated below:

A. Inpatient Care for Symptom Control

Inpatient care for pain control and symptom management shall be provided in one of the following:

1. A hospice that meets the requirements for providing inpatient care directly as specified in the Section, 22 “Inpatient Direct Care.”
2. A hospital or a Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF).
3. Each shift shall include a registered nurse on site to supervise and provide direct patient care.

B. Inpatient Care for Respite Purposes

Inpatient care for respite purposes shall be provided by one of the following:

1. A hospice that meets the requirements for providing inpatient care directly as specified in the Section, “Inpatient Direct Care”, Section 22.
2. A hospital or a ~~Skilled~~-Nursing Facility (SNF).