§ 483.116 Residents and applicants determined to require NF level of services.

(a) Individuals needing NF services. If the State mental health or intellectual disability authority determines that a resident or applicant for admission to a NF requires a NF level of services, the NF may admit or retain the individual.

(b) Individuals needing NF services and specialized services. If the State mental health or intellectual disability authority determines that a resident or applicant for admission requires both a NF level of services and specialized services for the mental illness or intellectual disability—

(1) The NF may admit or retain the individual; and

(2) The State must provide or arrange for the provision of the specialized services needed by the individual while he or she resides in the NF.

§ 483.118 Residents and applicants determined not to require NF level of services.

(a) Applicants who do not require NF services. If the State mental health or intellectual disability authority determines that an applicant for admission to a NF does not require NF services, the applicant cannot be admitted. NF services are not a covered Medicaid service for that individual, and further screening is not required.

(b) Residents who require neither NF services nor specialized services for MI or IID. If the State mental health or intellectual disability authority determines that a resident requires neither the level of services provided by a NF nor specialized services for MI or IID, regardless of the length of stay in the facility, the State must—

(1) Arrange for the safe and orderly discharge of the resident from the facility in accordance with §483.12(a); and

(2) Prepare and orient the resident for discharge.

(c) Residents who do not require NF services but require specialized services for MI or IID—(1) Long term residents. Except as otherwise may be provided in an alternative disposition plan adopted under section 1919(e)(7)(E) of the Act, for any resident who has continuously resided in a NF for at least 30 months before the date of the determination, and who requires only specialized services as defined in §483.120, the State must, in consultation with the resident’s family or legal representative and caregivers—

(i) Offer the resident the choice of remaining in the facility or of receiving services in an alternative appropriate setting;

(ii) Inform the resident of the institutional and noninstitutional alternatives covered under the State Medicaid plan for the resident;

(iii) Clarify the effect on eligibility for Medicaid services under the State plan if the resident chooses to leave the facility, including its effect on readmission to the facility; and

(iv) Regardless of the resident’s choice, provide for, or arrange for the provision of specialized services for the mental illness or intellectual disability.

(2) Short term residents. Except as otherwise may be provided in an alternative disposition plan adopted under section 1919(e)(7)(E) of the Act, for any resident who requires only specialized services, as defined in §483.120, and who has not continuously resided in a NF for at least 30 months before the date of the determination, the State must, in consultation with the resident’s family or legal representative and caregivers—

(i) Arrange for the safe and orderly discharge of the resident from the facility in accordance with §483.12(a);

(ii) Prepare and orient the resident for discharge; and

(iii) Provide for, or arrange for the provision of, specialized services for the mental illness or intellectual disability.

(3) For the purpose of establishing length of stay in a NF, the 30 months of continuous residence in a NF or longer—

(i) Is calculated back from the date of the first annual resident review determination which finds that the individual is not in need of NF level of services;