

Payment policy: Veterans Administration hospitals using swing beds for sub acute care

Payment methods

Effective immediately Veterans Administration Hospitals will be paid for swing bed services utilizing a hospital specific POAC rate.

Prior authorization

You may contact an occupational nurse consultant (ONC) for approval.

Link: To obtain information for contacting an ONC, call L&I's Provider Hotline at 1-800-831-5227.

Requirements for billing

Upon approval from a Labor and Industries ONC, Veterans Administration hospitals should bill their usual and customary charge for sub acute care (swing bed use) on the UB-04 billing form.

Identify these services in the "Type of Bill" field (Form Locator 04) with 018x series (hospital swing beds).

Link: For more information, see www.lni.wa.gov/FormPub/Detail.asp?DocID=1651.

Does this policy apply to self-insured employers?

No. Self-insured employers' payment formula for hospital inpatient services and non-fee schedule hospital outpatient services = *Your hospital specific POAC factor* x *Allowed charges*. Contact your insurer for correct form and payment procedures.