

## Care Management Home Visit

- **Purpose:** Provide in-home care management services that are typically covered under Medicare Part B.

Beneficiaries who are at risk of hospitalization can receive up to 20 home visits per year. These visits aim to manage chronic conditions, ensure the home environment is safe, and prevent unnecessary hospital stays and emergency room visits. This waiver helps provide care directly in the patient's home, making it easier for those who have difficulty traveling to medical facilities.

## Chronic Disease Management Reward (BEI)

- **Purpose:** Encourage beneficiaries to participate in chronic disease management programs.

Eligible patients with chronic conditions such as diabetes or congestive heart failure can receive gift cards worth up to \$75 annually. These rewards are funded by the ACO and aim to promote self-management of chronic conditions, improve overall health quality, and reduce healthcare costs by encouraging patients to adhere to their treatment plans and engage in healthy behaviors.

## Cost Sharing for Part B Services (BEI)

- **Purpose:** Reduce financial barriers that prevent beneficiaries from accessing necessary care.

ACOs cover the cost-sharing amounts for certain Part B services, excluding prescription drugs and durable medical equipment. By reducing out-of-pocket expenses for beneficiaries, this waiver encourages them to seek high-value care and adhere to recommended medical treatments, ultimately promoting better health outcomes and patient compliance.

## Home Health Homebound

- **Purpose:** Provide home health services to beneficiaries with multiple chronic conditions who are at risk of hospitalization.

Beneficiaries must meet specific criteria, such as needing assistance to leave home or having a medical condition that makes it difficult to leave. This waiver ensures that patients who are homebound receive necessary medical care and support at home, reducing the risk of hospital readmissions and improving their overall health and quality of life.

## Nurse Practitioner & Physician Assistant Services

- **Purpose:** Increase access to care and improve coordination by expanding the roles of Nurse Practitioners (NPs) and Physician Assistants (PAs).

This waiver allows NPs and PAs to certify hospice care, order diabetic shoes, supervise cardiac rehab, manage home infusion therapy, and refer patients for nutrition therapy without needing physician supervision, as permitted by state law. This expansion of responsibilities helps to alleviate physician workload and ensures that patients receive timely and efficient care.

## Post Discharge Home Visit

- **Purpose:** Support patient recovery and reduce the risk of readmissions with post-discharge home visits.

Beneficiaries can receive up to nine home visits within 90 days after being discharged from hospitals, psychiatric facilities, skilled nursing facilities, or other inpatient facilities. These visits are conducted under general supervision to ensure that patients are recovering properly, following discharge instructions, and managing their health conditions effectively, thereby reducing the likelihood of readmissions.

## Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) 3-Day Stay

- **Purpose:** Allow beneficiaries to access SNF services without the standard requirement of a three-day inpatient hospital stay.

Beneficiaries can receive SNF care at qualified SNFs or swing-bed hospitals that are Participant or Preferred Providers. This waiver provides flexibility in accessing skilled nursing care, helping patients receive necessary rehabilitation and medical services without the burden of an extended hospital stay.

## Telehealth

- **Purpose:** Increase access to care and reduce reactive care costs through telehealth services.

This waiver allows for the monitoring of high-risk or high-need patients via telehealth, facilitating continuous care and proper transitions back to primary care or home health providers. Telehealth services help improve patient participation, provide proactive care management, and ensure that patients receive timely medical attention without needing to visit healthcare facilities physically.