

Medicare Mandated Guidelines

Patients will be reviewed for general inpatient care on a case-by-case basis if one or more of the following conditions cannot be managed in an outpatient setting:

- Uncontrolled pain
- Uncontrolled agitation
- Severe shortness of breath or respiratory distress creating an unmanageable situation for patient/family/caregiver in home care setting
- Intractable nausea or vomiting
- Open lesions requiring frequent professional care (decubiti, malignant ulcerations, burns, severe abrasions or fistulas—at least before dressing changes)
- Other complicated care: frequent nasotracheal suctioning or GI suctioning, frequent parenteral injections, management of draining fistulas

Please note: Documentation stating what GIP symptom patient is experiencing and what failed interventions have been completed needs to be sent with the referral.

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