

Care Compare Five-Star Ratings of Nursing Homes Provider Rating Report for April 2024

Ratings for Whittier Hospital Medical Ctr D/P SNF (555589) Whittier, California								
Overall Quality Health Inspection Quality Measures Staffing								
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The Five-Star ratings provided above will be displayed for your nursing home on the Care Compare website on or around April 24, 2024. The health inspection rating incorporates data reported through March 31, 2024. The time periods for each of the quality measures that contribute to the Quality Measure (QM) rating can be found in the QM tables located later in this report. The staffing rating is based on payroll-based journal (PBJ) staffing data reported through the third calendar quarter of 2023.

Helpline

The Five-Star Helpline will operate Monday - Friday April 22 - 26, 2024. Hours of operation will be from 9 am - 5 pm ET, 8 am - 4 pm CT, 7 am - 3 pm MT, and 6 am - 2 pm PT. The Helpline number is 1-800-839-9290. The Helpline will be available again **May 28 - 31, 2024.** During other times, direct inquiries to BetterCare@cms.hhs.gov as Helpline staff help respond to e-mail inquiries when the telephone Helpline is not operational.

Important News

Adjustments to staffing and quality measures.

CMS is freezing the staffing level measures (total nurse staffing, RN staffing, and weekend staffing) for three months beginning in April 2024 while developing a new case-mix adjustment methodology. Therefore, this report contains the frozen staffing level measures (the same as those posted in January 2024, using data for CY 2023Q3).

Unlike the staffing level measures, the turnover measures are not frozen. In addition, CMS is implementing a turnover penalty for providers that fail to submit accurate staffing data beginning in April 2024. Specifically, providers that fail to submit staffing data or submit erroneous data for one or more quarters used in the turnover calculation will receive the lowest score possible for corresponding staff turnover measures.

Finally, CMS is freezing the following five Quality Measures (QMs) beginning in April 2024:

- Percentage of Residents Who Made Improvements in Function (short-stay)
- Percentage of Residents Whose Need for Help with Activities of Daily Living has Increased (long-stay)
- Percentage of Residents Whose Ability to Move Independently Worsened (long-stay)
- Percentage of High-Risk Residents with Pressure Ulcers (long-stay)
- Percentage of low-risk residents who lose control of their bowels or bladder (long-stay; not included in the QM rating)

These five measures are broken out into separate tables in the QM section of this report.

Please see the Five-Star Quality Rating System Technical Users' Guide for more details (link provided on the References page of this report).

Health Inspections

The Five-Star health inspection rating listed on the first page of this report is based on three cycles of survey data and three years of complaint and focused infection control inspections and incorporates data reported through March 31, 2024.

Your Health Inspection Rating

Provided below are the survey dates included in the calculation of the health inspection rating for your facility. The dates listed include standard survey dates as well as dates of complaint inspections and focused infection control inspections that resulted in deficiencies. For more detailed information about the deficiencies cited on each survey, please visit: https://data.cms.gov/provider-data/. This website updates on the same day as the Care Compare website. Any additional revisit points can be found in the 'Provider Information' table at the link provided above.

Health Inspection Rating Cycle 1 Survey Dates:

August 3, 2019

Health Inspection Rating Cycle 2 Survey Dates:

September 1, 2018

March 2, 2023

Health Inspection Rating Cycle 3 Survey Dates:

August 12, 2017

Total weighted health inspection score for your facility: 48.7

State-level Health Inspection Cut Points for California									
1 Star	1 Star 2 Stars 3 Stars 4 Stars 5 Stars								
>149.92	>149.92 97.34-149.92 65.34-97.33 35.34-65.33 0.00-35.33								

Please note that the state cut points are recalculated each month, but the total weighted health inspection score for your facility is compared to the cut points only if there is a change in your score.

Citations under IDR/IIDR

Below is a listing of health inspection citations for your nursing home that are under IDR or IIDR. These citations are reported on the Care Compare website; however, they are not included in the health inspection rating.

Your nursing home has no health inspection citations under IDR/IIDR.

Long-Stay Quality Measures that are Included in the QM Rating

	Provider 555589						CA	US
MDS Long-Stay Measures	2023Q1	2023Q2	2023Q3	2023Q4	4Q avg	Rating Points	4Q avg	4Q avg
Lower percentages are better.								
Percentage of residents experiencing one or more falls with major injury	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	d<20	0.0%	100	1.7%	3.4%
Percentage of residents with a urinary tract infection	0.0%	0.0%	4.5%	d<20	2.3%	60	1.4%	2.1%
Percentage of residents with a catheter inserted and left in their bladder ¹	0.0%	0.0%	d<20	d<20	0.0%	100	1.2%	1.2%
Percentage of residents who received an antipsychotic medication	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	d<20	0.0%	150	11.0%	14.8%

	Provider 555589						CA	US
Frozen MDS Long-Stay Measures	2022Q4	2023Q1	2023Q2	2023Q3	4Q avg	Rating Points	4Q avg	4Q avg
Lower percentages are better.								
Percentage of high-risk residents with pressure sores	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100	7.4%	7.8%
Percentage of residents whose need for help with daily activities has increased	d<20	d<20	d<20	d<20	13.7% ²	90	8.2%	14.1%
Percentage of residents whose ability to move independently worsened ¹	d<20	d<20	d<20	d<20	9.7%²	135	10.7%	15.4%

¹These measures are risk adjusted.

²This measure includes some imputed data because there are fewer than 20 resident assessments or stays across the four quarters. This value is used in calculating the QM points and used in the QM rating calculation but will not be displayed on Care Compare.

		Provide	r 555589	CA	US		
Claims-Based Long-Stay Measures	Observed Rate ³	Expected Rate ³	Risk- Adjusted Rate ³	Rating Points	Risk- Adjusted Rate	Observed Rate	Risk- Adjusted Rate
Lower rates are better. The time period for data used in reporting is 10/1/2022 through 9/30/2023.							
Number of hospitalizations per 1,000 long-stay resident days ¹	NA	NA	2.13 ²	45	2.13	1.715	1.89
Number of emergency department visits per 1,000 long-stay resident days ¹	NA	NA	1.022	75	1.02	1.610	1.22

¹These measures are risk adjusted.

³The observed rate is the actual rate observed for the facility without any risk-adjustment; the expected rate is the rate that would be expected for the facility given the risk-adjustment profile of the facility; and the risk-adjusted rate is adjusted for the expected rate of the outcome and is calculated as (observed rate for facility / expected rate for facility) * US observed rate. Only the risk-adjusted rate will appear on Care Compare.

Total Long-Stay Quality Measure Score	855
Long-Stay Quality Measure Star Rating	****

²This measure includes some imputed data because there are fewer than 20 resident assessments or stays across the four quarters. This value is used in calculating the QM points and used in the QM rating calculation but will not be displayed on Care Compare.

Short-Stay Quality Measures that are Included in the QM Rating

	Provider 555589						CA	US
MDS Short-Stay Measures	2023Q1	2023Q2	2023Q3	2023Q4	4Q avg	Rating Points	4Q avg	4Q avg
Lower percentages are better.								
Percentage of residents who newly received an antipsychotic medication	d<20	d<20	d<20	d<20	NA	NA	1.4%	1.6%
The time period for data used in reporting is 7/1/2022 through 6/30/2023.								
Percentage of SNF residents with pressure ulcers/pressure injuries that are new or worsened ¹					NA	NA	1.2%	2.5%

		Provider 555589						US
Frozen MDS Short-Stay Measure	2022Q4 2023Q1 2023Q2 2023Q3 4Q avg Rating Points 4						4Q avg	4Q avg
Higher percentages are better.								
Percentage of residents who made improvements in function ¹	d<20	d<20	d<20	d<20	NA	NA	81.8%	76.8%

		Provide	r 555589		CA	US	
Claims-Based Short-Stay Measures	Observed Rate ³	Expected Rate ³	Risk- Adjusted Rate ³	Rating Points	Risk- Adjusted Rate	Observed Rate	Risk- Adjusted Rate
Higher percentages are better. The time period for data used in reporting is 10/1/2020-9/30/2022.							
Rate of successful return to home or community from a SNF ¹	NA	NR	NA	NA	51.3%	49.7%	49.7% ⁴
Lower percentages are better. The time period for data used in reporting is 10/1/2022 through 9/30/2023.							
Percentage of residents who were re-hospitalized after a nursing home admission ¹	NA	NA	NA	NA	22.4%	23.0%	23.1%
Percentage of residents who had an outpatient emergency department visit ¹	NA	NA	NA	NA	11.5%	11.1%	12.7%

¹These measures are risk adjusted.

²This measure includes some imputed data because there are fewer than 20 resident assessments or stays across the four quarters. This value is used in calculating the QM points and used in the QM rating calculation but will not be displayed on Care Compare.

³The observed rate is the actual rate observed for the facility without any risk-adjustment; the expected rate is the rate that would be expected for the facility given the risk-adjustment profile of the facility. For successful community discharge, the risk-adjusted rate is calculated as (predicted rate / expected rate) * US Observed rate and is referred to as the risk-standardized rate. For rehospitalization and emergency department visits, the risk-adjusted rate is calculated as (observed rate / expected rate) * US observed rate. Only the risk-adjusted or risk-standardized rate will appear on Care Compare.

⁴For this measure, this value is the National Benchmark, rather than the national average of the risk-adjusted rate. NR = Not Reported. The expected rate is not reported for this measure.

Short-Stay and Overall Quality Measure Scores and Ratings

Unadjusted Short-Stay Quality Measure Score	NA
Total Short-Stay Quality Measure Score (unadjusted short-stay QM score*1150/800) ¹	NA
Short-Stay Quality Measure Star Rating	Not Available
Total Quality Measure Score ²	NA
Overall Quality Measure Star Rating	****

¹An adjustment factor of 1150/800 is applied to the unadjusted total short-stay score to allow the long- and short-stay QMs to count equally in the total QM score.

²The total quality measure score is the sum of the total long-stay score and the total short-stay score. If a provider has only a long-stay score or only a short-stay score, then no total score is calculated and their overall QM rating is the same as the long-stay or short-stay QM rating, depending on which is available.

Quality Measures that are Not Included in the QM Rating

		Pro	vider 555	589		CA	US
MDS Long-Stay Measures	2023Q1	2023Q2	2023Q3	2023Q4	4Q avg	4Q avg	4Q avg
Higher percentages are better.							
Percentage of residents assessed and appropriately given the seasonal influenza vaccine	95.8%	95.8%	95.8%	95.8%	95.8%	98.1%	94.8%
Percentage of residents assessed and appropriately given the pneumococcal vaccine	90.9%	91.3%	81.8%	d<20	89.5%	98.1%	92.3%
Lower percentages are better.							
Percentage of residents who were physically restrained	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	d<20	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%
Percentage of residents who lose too much weight	4.5%	0.0%	0.0%	d<20	1.2%	4.9%	5.8%
Percentage of residents who have depressive symptoms	d<20	d<20	d<20	d<20	0.0%	6.0%	9.0%
Percentage of residents who received an antianxiety or hypnotic medication	63.6%	60.9%	59.1%	d<20	54.7%	13.4%	19.6%
MDS Short-Stay Measures							
Higher percentages are better.							
Percentage of residents assessed and appropriately given the seasonal influenza vaccine	d<20	d<20	d<20	d<20	NA	92.0%	76.7%
Percentage of residents assessed and appropriately given the pneumococcal vaccine	d<20	d<20	d<20	d<20	NA	93.8%	80.2%

		Pro	CA	US			
Frozen MDS Long-Stay Measure	2022Q4 2023Q1 2023Q2 2023Q3 4Q avg					4Q avg	4Q avg
Lower percentages are better.							
Percentage of low-risk residents who lose control of their bowels or bladder	d<20	d<20	d<20	d<20	NA	35.2%	48.5%

Additional Notes Regarding the Quality Measure Tables

"d<20". For individual quarters for the MDS-based QMs, d<20 means the denominator for the measure (the number of eligible resident assessments) is too small to report. A four-quarter average may be displayed if there are at least 20 eligible resident assessments summed across the four quarters.

"NA". "NA" will be reported for quality measures not included in the QM Rating: 1) for which data are not available or 2) for which the total number of eligible resident assessments summed across the four quarters is less than 20.

SNF Quality Reporting Program (QRP) Measures:

Two of the short-stay QMs used in the Five-Star QM rating calculation are SNF QRP measures: "Percentage of SNF residents with pressure ulcers/pressure injuries that are new or worsened" and "Rate of successful return to home or community from a SNF." There are additional SNF QRP measures that are not included in the Five-Star ratings but are displayed on Care Compare. Information about these measures can be found on separate provider preview reports in the QIES mailbox. Please watch for communication from CMS on the availability of these reports. Additional information about the SNF QRP measures can be found in the Quality of Resident Care section on the References page of this report.

Staffing Hours per Resident Day

PBJ data for **July 1 - September 30, 2023** (submitted and accepted by the November 14, 2023 deadline) are being used to calculate the staffing levels for six months starting with the **January 2024** Care Compare website update. The table below includes the reported, case-mix and adjusted staffing levels for your facility, using the PBJ data for **July 1 - September 30, 2023**. The case-mix staffing values are based on resident acuity levels using RUG-IV data. The Five-Star Rating Technical Users' Guide contains a detailed explanation of the staffing rating and the case-mix adjustment methodology. The table also shows the weekend staffing levels (total nurse and RN) for your facility. Below the table is the average resident census for your facility.

Staffing Levels for July 1 - September 30, 2023 for Provider Number 555589				
	Reported Hours per Resident per Day (HRD)	Reported Hours per Resident per Day (HRD) (Decimal)	Case-Mix HRD	Case-Mix Adjusted HRD
All days				
Total nurse (RN, LPN, LVN, and Nurse Aide) hours	9 hours and 38 minutes	9.641	5.309	5.724
RN hours	1 hour and 28 minutes	1.474	1.715	0.324
LPN/LVN hours	4 hours and 44 minutes	4.734	1.101	3.172
Nurse aide hours	3 hours and 26 minutes	3.432	2.492	2.806
Physical therapist ¹ hours	2 minutes			
Weekend (Saturday and Sunday)				
Total nurse (RN, LPN, LVN, and Nurse Aide) hours	9 hours and 2 minutes	9.030	5.309	5.362
RN hours	1 hour and 11 minutes	1.190		

¹Physical therapist hours are not included in the staffing rating calculation.

The average number of residents for your facility (based on MDS census) for July 1 - September 30, 2023 is 21.3.

Availability of Reported Staffing Data

Some providers will see 'Not Available' for the reported hours per resident per day in the table above and a staffing rating may not be displayed for these facilities. There are several reasons this could occur:

- 1. No MDS census data were available for the facility.
- 2. No on-time PBJ staffing data were submitted for the facility.
- 4. No nursing hours were reported (0 HRD).
- 5. Total reported nurse staffing was excessively high (>12.0 HRD).
- 6. Total reported nurse aide staffing was excessively high (>5.25 HRD).
- 7. A CMS audit identified significant discrepancies between the hours reported and the hours verified, or the nursing home failed to respond to an audit request.
- 14. No nursing hours were reported on weekends (0 HRD).
- 15. Total reported nurse staffing on weekends was excessively high (>12.0 HRD).
- 16. The total reported nurse aide staffing on weekends was excessively high (>5.25 HRD).
- 18. Other reason.

Scoring Exceptions for the Staffing Rating

The following criteria have been added to the usual scoring rules for assigning the staffing rating.

- 1. Providers that fail to submit any staffing data by the required deadline will receive a one-star staffing for the quarter.
- 2. Providers that submit staffing data indicating that there were four or more days in the quarter with no RN staffing hours (job codes 5-7) on days when there were one or more residents in the facility, regardless of reported staffing levels, will receive a one-star staffing rating for the quarter.
- 3. CMS conducts audits of nursing homes to verify the data submitted and to ensure accuracy. Facilities for which the audit identifies significant discrepancies between the hours reported and the hours verified or those who fail to respond to an audit request will receive a one-star staffing rating.

Staffing Turnover

PBJ data from July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2023 are used to calculate annual nursing staff and RN turnover measures and to report the number of administrator turnovers among eligible administrators in the 12-month reporting period between October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023. PBJ does not collect information on employee termination dates; instead a turnover is identified based on gaps in days worked. The turnover measures include employees and agency staff that have worked at least 120 hours at your facility in the 90-day period starting from the first observed workday between July 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023. Individuals no longer associated with a nursing home are defined as eligible employees who have a period of 60 or more days during which they do not work at all. The data listed below report the nursing, RN, and administrator turnover measures for your facility October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023. (Note that data from 2022Q3 - 2023Q1 are used to identify individuals who are eligible for the turnover measure, while data from 2023Q4 are used to identify individuals who had a 60-day or more gap in days worked that started within the last 60 days of 2023Q3.)

These turnover measures will be posted on Nursing Home Care Compare starting with the **April 2024** update. The turnover measures are updated quarterly using a rolling 12-month period. Detailed information on how turnover is calculated is available in the Technical Users' Guide. Find the link on the References Page of this report.

PBJ Nurse Staffing Turnover for October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023 for Provider Number 555589					
	Turnover Rate	Number of Eligible Staff ¹	Number of Eligible Staff Identified as Turned over	Displayed on Care Compare ²	
Nursing staff turnover	28.1%	64	18	Yes	
RN turnover	22.2%	9	2	Yes	
Administrator turnover		N.A.	N.A.	No - code 2	

N.A. = Not Available. N.A. in the table above indicates that the value could not be calculated based on the data submitted.

¹The number of eligible staff is based on a count of the number of eligible 'employment spells.' For more details on the methodology used to calculate nursing staff turnover, please see the measure specifications, available at the location listed in the references

Availability of Turnover Data

Some providers will see 'Not Available' for one or more of the turnover measures in the table above or on Care Compare. There are several reasons this could occur:

Nursing Staff and RN Turnover Exclusion Codes

- 1. No data or invalid PBJ nursing data submitted for one of more quarters between July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2023. See the table below for the quarters with missing or invalid PBJ data.
- 2. Fewer than 5 eligible nurse (or RN) employees or agency staff.
- 3. 100% total nurse turnover on a single day. If you see this code in the table above, up to two dates on which it appears your nursing home had 100% turnover on a single day are listed below. In this case, you may need to submit data to link employee identifiers. See additional information on the References page of this report.
- 18. Other reason.

Days with 100% turnover for all nursing staff

²Some providers will see "Not Available" on the Care Compare website for one or more turnover measures if there is a "No" along with a code listed in this column of the table.

Availability of Turnover Data (continued)

Administrator Turnover Exclusion Codes

- 1. No data or invalid PBJ nursing data submitted for one of more quarters between July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2023. See the table below for the quarters with missing or invalid PBJ data.
- 2. No administrator hours were submitted for one or more quarters between July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2023. See the table below for the quarters with no administrator hours.
- 3. No eligible administrator employees or agency staff.
- 4. Too many administrators: there are 4 or more days in one or more quarters between July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2023 with five or more different people reported under job code 1 (administrator) on the same day.
- 18. Other reason

Your facility's submission of valid PBJ nursing data and administrator hours for quarters used by turnover measures						
	2022Q3	2022Q4	2023Q1	2023Q2	2023Q3	2023Q4
Valid PBJ data submitted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Administrator hours submitted	No	No	No	No	No	No

Note that in rare cases, turnover data may be reported on Care Compare even if one or more of the indicators of valid PBJ data in the table above is "No". This may occur if the data were later verified by a CMS audit.

Staffing Measures that are Used in the Staffing Rating

The table below shows the six specific staffing measures that are used to calculate the staffing rating, along with the measure values and the points assigned for each measure for your facility as well as the maximum number of points possible for each measure. The raw point total is the sum of the points for the individual measures. If the turnover measures are not available due to missing or invalid data, your facility will receive the minimum points for the corresponding turnover measures. If the turnover measures are not available for another reason, then the total score is rescaled so the maximum possible score for your facility is still 380 points. The rescaled score is used to assign the staffing rating. Please see the Technical Users' Guide for additional details including the cut point tables for each of the measures and for the total rescaled score.

	Data for Provider 5		Maximum
Staffing Measure	Measure Value	Points	Possible Points
Adjusted Total nurse staffing (7 day)	5.724	100	100
Adjusted RN staffing (7 day)	0.324	20	100
Adjusted Total nurse staffing (weekends)	5.362	50	50
Total nursing turnover (%)	28.125	50	50
RN turnover (%)	22.222	50	50
Number of administrator departures	N.A.	10	30
Raw point total		280	
Total points after rescaling (if any)		280	380
Staffing rating	***		

N.A. = 'Not Available'. Points for individual measures may show as N.A. if the measure value is Not Available. Point values will show as N.A. for all measures for special focus facilities, providers that are too new for a valid rating to be calculated, providers for which nurse staffing levels are not available, and providers that have had their staffing rating reduced to one star (see availability of reported staffing and scoring exceptions above).

References

Technical Details on the Five-Star Quality Rating System

The Five-Star Quality Rating System Technical Users' Guide includes detailed methodology for all domains of the rating system and can be found at:

https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/CertificationandComplianc/downloads/usersquide.pdf

Provider Data Catalog

All of the data posted on the Care Compare website as well as additional details on some domains and measures are available for download on the Provider Data Catalog at:

Staffing

Information about staffing data submission is available on the CMS website at:

https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/NursingHomeQualityInits/Staffing-Data-Submission-PBJ.html

For additional assistance with or questions related to the PBJ registration process, please contact 800-339-9313 or email iQIES@cms.hhs.gov.

CMS Memorandum QSO-22-08-NH regarding weekend staffing, staff turnover, and information about linking employee identifiers can be found at:

https://www.cms.gov/files/document/gso-22-08-nh.pdf

Instructions and templates for linking employee identifiers can be found in the PBJ Provider User's Guide at: https://qtso.cms.gov/providers/nursing-home-mdsswing-bed-providers/reference-manuals

Detailed Employee level staffing data can be found at:

https://data.cms.gov/quality-of-care/payroll-based-journal-daily-nurse-staffing

Quality of Resident Care

Detailed specifications (including risk-adjustment) for the MDS-based QMs, claims-based QMs and SNF QRP measures can be found in the Downloads section at:

https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/NursingHomeQualityInits/NHQIQualityMeasures.html

SNF QRP COVID-19 Public Reporting Tip Sheet can be found at:

https://www.cms.gov/files/document/snfgrp-covid19prtipsheet-october2020.pdf

SNF Quality Reporting Training page can be found at:

https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/NursingHomeQualityInits/Skilled-Nursing-Facility-Quality-Reporting-Program/SNF-Quality-Reporting-Program-Training

FY 2024 SNF Final Rule can be found at:

https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/SNFPPS/List-of-SNF-Federal-Regulations

CMS Skilled Nursing Facility Center website can be found at:

https://www.cms.gov/Center/Provider-Type/Skilled-Nursing-Facility-Center

Additional information about Public Reporting of the SNF QRP Quality Measures can be found at:

https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/NursingHomeQualityInits/Skilled-Nursing-Facility-Quality-Reporting-Program/SNF-Quality-Reporting-Program-Overview

For questions about the SNF QRP measures please contact:

SNFQualityQuestions@cms.hhs.gov

PBJ Deadlines

Submission Deadline	PBJ Reporting Period	Posted on Care Compare and used for Staffing Ratings
November 14, 2023	July 1, 2023 - September 30, 2023	January 2024 - June 2024
February 14, 2024	October 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023	N/A
May 15, 2024	January 1, 2024 - March 31, 2024	July 2024 - September 2024
August 14, 2024	April 1, 2024 - June 30, 2024	October 2024 - December 2024