

## § 52.60

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and is within one of the following categories:

(a) Veterans with service-connected disabilities;

(b) Veterans who are former prisoners of war;

(c) Veterans who were discharged or released from active military service for a disability incurred or aggravated in the line of duty;

(d) Veterans who receive disability compensation under 38 U.S.C. 1151;

(e) Veterans whose entitlement to disability compensation is suspended because of the receipt of retired pay;

(f) Veterans whose entitlement to disability compensation is suspended pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 1151, but only to the extent that such veterans' continuing eligibility for adult day health care is provided for in the judgment or settlement described in 38 U.S.C. 1151;

(g) Veterans who VA determines are unable to defray the expenses of necessary care as specified under 38 U.S.C. 1722(a);

(h) Veterans of the Mexican Border period or of World War I;

(i) Veterans solely seeking care for a disorder associated with exposure to a toxic substance or radiation or for a disorder associated with service in the Southwest Asia theater of operations during the Gulf War, as provided in 38 U.S.C. 1710(e);

(j) Veterans who agree to pay to the United States the applicable co-payment determined under 38 U.S.C. 1710(f) and 1710(g), if they seek VA (U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs) hospital, nursing home, or outpatient care.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 101, 501, 1741–1743)

### Subpart D—Standards

#### § 52.60 Standards applicable for payment of per diem.

The provisions of this subpart are the standards that a State home and program management must meet for the State to receive per diem for adult day health care provided at that facility.

#### § 52.61 General requirements for adult day health care program.

Adult day health care must be a therapeutically-oriented outpatient day program, which provides health maintenance and rehabilitative services to

participants. The program must provide individualized care delivered by an interdisciplinary health care team and support staff, with an emphasis on helping participants and their caregivers to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to manage care requirements in the home. Adult day health care is principally targeted for complex medical and/or functional needs of geriatric patients.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 101, 501, 1741–1743)

#### § 52.70 Participant rights.

The participant has a right to a dignified existence, self-determination, and communication with and access to persons and services inside and outside the facility. The program management must protect and promote the rights of each participant, including each of the following rights:

(a) *Exercise of rights.* (1) The participant has the right to exercise his or her rights as a participant of the program and as a citizen or resident of the United States.

(2) The participant has the right to be free of interference, coercion, discrimination, and reprisal from the program management in exercising his or her rights.

(3) The participant has the right to freedom from chemical or physical restraint.

(4) In the case of a participant determined incompetent under the laws of a State by a court of jurisdiction, the rights of the participant are exercised by the person appointed under State law to act on the participant's behalf.

(b) *Notice of rights and services.* (1) The program management must inform the participant both orally and in writing in a language that the participant understands of his or her rights and all rules and regulations governing participant conduct and responsibilities during enrollment in the program. Such notification must be made prior to or upon enrollment and periodically during the participant's enrollment.

(2) Participants or their legal representatives have the right—

(i) Upon an oral or written request, to access all records pertaining to them including current participant records within 24 hours (excluding weekends and holidays); and