

## **CREATING SWING BEDS: KEY REGULATORY, OPERATIONAL, BILLING AND COMPLIANCE CONSIDERATIONS UNDER THE CMS BLANKET WAIVERS**

CMS issued a memo update announcing additional blanket waivers for providers, including hospitals and skilled nursing facilities, as a result of the COVID-19 public health emergency. This memo includes several service enhancements and waivers for hospitals and skilled nursing facilities (“SNFs”). CMS issued the hospital and SNF waivers to address potential skilled nursing bed shortages to protect the health and safety of patients during the PHE.

Although the issue of whether or not to utilize SNF swing beds may appear simple on the surface, there are numerous regulatory considerations that must be addressed prior to utilizing this waiver. Learn more about the regulatory blanket waiver and how this update will affect hospitals and skilled nursing facilities in our full article here: <https://bit.ly/315ZoQm>.