



Referral and Admissions Guide

Who We Serve

MissionCare at Bennington combines skilled nursing and long-term rehabilitative services with quality mental health and stigma-free care in a comprehensive and compassionate approach to meeting the physical, emotional, social and spiritual needs of this special patient population. This approach enables residents to thrive in the most attentive – yet least restrictive – environment possible.

Common referral sources for MissionCare at Bennington:

- Correctional and Forensic Institutions.
- Acute Care Hospitals.
- Mental Health Hospitals.
- Community settings such as group homes, congregate housing or other nursing homes.
- Other categories such as through community case managers, population health programs/payers, the office of the ombudsman, state officials, etc.

Learn more at www.missioncareatbennington.com

To Submit a Referral for Admission to MissionCare at Bennington

Vermont's Department of Disability, Aging and Independent Living (DAIL) has setup a dedicated inbox for official referrals and a Referral Form to initiate a review of a prospective resident:

If you are a hospital, community program or other institution you may utilize this form [MissionCare at Bennington Referral Form](#) and send it to AHS.DAILiCareReferrals@vermont.gov

For updates please contact DAIL or iCare's central admissions department, known as iCentral.

Main Admissions Phone	(860) 812-0788
Secure Fax	(877) 804-4097
Admissions Coordinator	Nicole LaCapra, nlacapra@icarehn.com
Direct Admissions Phone	(203) 232-0987
Clinical Liaison	Ellie Cyr, ecyr@60-west.com
Direct Liaison Phone	(860) 490-4769

To contact MissionCare at Bennington to give report, request a tour, speak with leadership or for other concerns NOT related to referrals or admissions, call (802) 442-8525.

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Requirements for Admission of Qualified Residents

MissionCare at Bennington serves adults in need of Long Term Care or hospice (NOT short term rehabilitation services) and qualify for a nursing home level of care as determined by the federal [Preadmission Screening and Resident Review \(PASRR\) process](#) as conducted by Vermont's Developmental Disabilities Services Division. Furthermore, residents must be:

A. Demonstrated to be Difficult to Place (by fitting one or more of the following categories) --

1. Major, chronic medical condition coupled with a diagnosed mental illnesses/behavioral disorder, and/or;
2. Discharging directly from a correctional or other justice-involved setting with or without the presence of a mental illness, and/or;
3. Are otherwise deemed by evidence to be difficult to place in a traditional long-term care or other site of care due to a stigmatizing event or background including presence on the sex offender registry.

B. Meet Clinical Criteria and be Appropriate for the Current Setting/Milieu --

1. Be evaluated clinically, including chart review and on-site evaluation and interview by MissionCare Health's Clinical Liaison who specializes in this population, and;
2. Be considered clinically, socially and behaviorally appropriate and stable. Determining appropriateness and stability is an in-depth, patient-specific process and its description is beyond the scope of this document. The Clinical Liaison will communicate with the referral source directly on the findings and determinations.

C. Have an Accepted Payer Source, Required Approvals and Complete Financial Forms --

1. Referred prospective residents should be an active Vermont Medicaid member with long term care coverage or who will qualify for long term care coverage. Click here for [Application for Long-Term Care Medicaid/Choices for Care](#) and [Choices for Care program information](#).
2. If from the community or an acute care hospital, complete and submit an approved Financial Disclosure, regardless of payer. [Click here for Financial Disclosure document](#).
3. For Vermont Medicaid members, the resident must be approved by the Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living (DAIL), for placement at MissionCare at Bennington (MissionCare manages the admission request to DAIL),
4. For non-Medicaid members, the resident must have one of the following alternate payers --
 - a. Private pay with demonstrated resources, to be paid at MissionCare's daily rate.
 - b. An alternate payer through a single case agreement for an agreed upon period of time and at MissionCare's standard daily rate.

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Payers Accepted by MissionCare at Bennington

As noted above, MissionCare at Bennington accepts Medicare (for the skilled, short-term portion of a long term care stay), Vermont Medicaid, Private Pay and private insurance plans that will negotiate a single agreement with acceptable terms and rates.

Please contact us to discuss the referral process and insurance coverage at (203) 232-0987.

Placement and Programs

Residents at MissionCare at Bennington participate in specialized programs such as:

- A. The Community Re-entry Program to foster independence
- B. The Medical Intervention Program for cognitively impaired residents
- C. The Comprehensive Care Program for residents who require extensive assistance with daily living activities
- D. The Therapeutic Behavior Program for the most behaviorally challenged residents

Services at MissionCare at Bennington

The MissionCare treatment team provides a range of services that are tailored to each resident's unique needs, and delivered with respect and compassion. These services include:

- Medical and skilled nursing care
- Psychiatric care
- Psychological evaluation
- Individual and group psychotherapy
- Specialized restorative services
- Behavior management
- Physical, occupational and speech therapy
- IV (intravenous) therapy
- Structured recreational activities

More Information

If you represent a State agency, other public entity and you are interested in learning more about MissionCare Health, iCare Health Network and/or skilled nursing programs for individuals that are difficult to place or in state care, please contact David Skoczulek, Vice President of Business Development and Communications at (860) 250-3075 or email at info@icarehn.com.

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