

West Virginia Critical Access Hospital Definition

Eligible Facilities	Current Licensed Hospital
Service Limit (LOS)	Annual average of 96 hours
Service Limit (Size)	25 Beds (Swing or Acute) May have Distinct Part Units (DPU) such as Long Term Care
Location Criteria	Rural and 35+ miles drive to hospital or CAH (or 15 miles in mountains or areas with secondary roads), Or State certified as a "Necessary Provider"
WV Medicare Payment	Cost Based Reimbursement (Excludes Distinct Part Units)
WV Medicaid Payment	Same As Medicare
Rural Health Network	Network = At least 1 CAH and 1 affiliate hospital Agreements maintained with network hospital may include: Referral and Transfer Communications Agreement with network hospital, PRO or equivalent for: Credentialing Quality assurance Transportation Services
"Flexible" Aspects of Program	
Services May Include	Inpatient Care Outpatient Emergency Care Laboratory Radiology Distinct Part Units Some Ancillary and support services may be provided part-time, and/or off site Other services as identified by Community Needs Assessment
Emergency Services	Available 24 hours Staff has emergency services training or experience Staff may be on-call and available within 30 minutes
Medical Staff	At least 1 physician (need not be on-site) May include midlevel practitioner
Nursing Staff	RN, CNS, LPN on duty when there is an inpatient in the facility
Hours of Operation	24 hours (if inpatient(s) present) If not occupied, emergency services made available