

The Nebraska Hospital Association, with input from its members, has created the following report highlighting the challenges with placing post-acute patients in our state. This report highlights the total number of patients awaiting post-acute placement – analyzed by differing data points. Addressing transition delays and optimizing the flow of patients continues to be a priority for the NHA and its members.

LB227 Overview:

- ✓ Provides a per diem Medicaid reimbursement to a hospital for a Medicaid patient who is eligible for discharge, but is unable to be transferred
- ✓ Directs DHHS to rebase inpatient interim per diem rates for CAHs
- ✓ Allows LTACHs to be eligible for Medicaid funding
- ✓ Creates a pilot program that provides financial incentives to post-acute facilities to accept patients with complex health needs





LB227 Pilot Project Updates

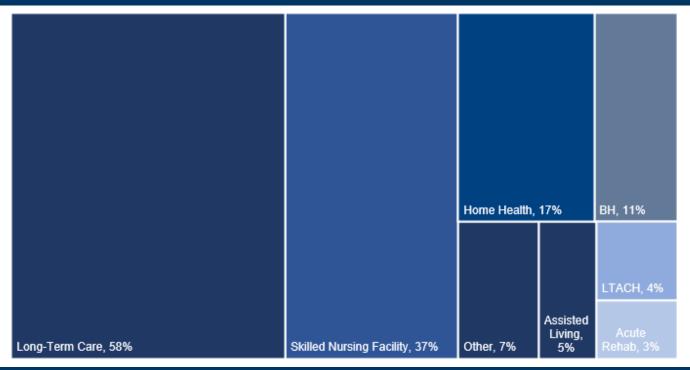
CHI Plainview <i>Plainview</i>	Cozad Community Health System Cozad	Douglas County Health Center <i>Omaha</i>	Emerald Nursing & Rehab Columbus	Florence Home <i>Omaha</i>	Ambassador Health <i>Lincoln</i>	Douglas County Health Center <i>Omaha</i>
Now accepting bariatric referrals	Now accepting bariatric referrals	Now accepting bariatric referrals	Now accepting bariatric referrals	Now accepting complex and end-of-life referrals	Now accepting hemodialysis referrals	Now accepting hemodialysis referrals

NHA Throughput Survey Report: Patients Awaiting Discharge to Post-Acute Setting by NHA District Based on Responses to NHA's August 2025 Throughput Survey





% of Patients Awaiting Discharge to Post-Acute Setting > 7 Days by Facility Type



Patients Awaiting Bed Placement to Post-Acute Setting, Tertiary Care Center, and Patients
Boarded in the Emergency Department for the Month of August



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Patients Awaiting
Post-Acute Placement



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Patients Awaiting an Inpatient Bed at a Tertiary Care Center



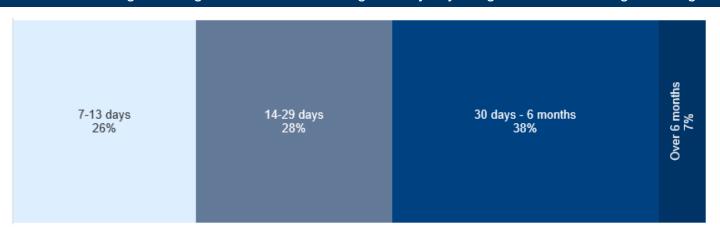
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Patients Boarded in ED's



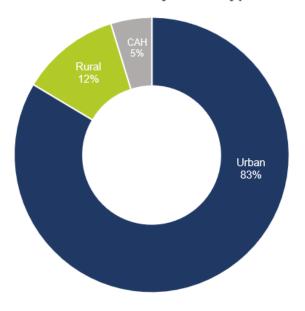


Patients Awaiting Discharge to Post-Acute Setting > 7 Days by Length of Time Awaiting Discharge

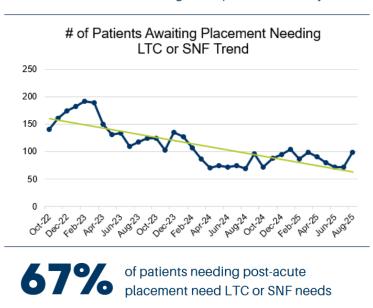


Notable Trends and Comments from August Throughput Survey





of patients needing post-acute placement are waiting in hospitals for >30 days

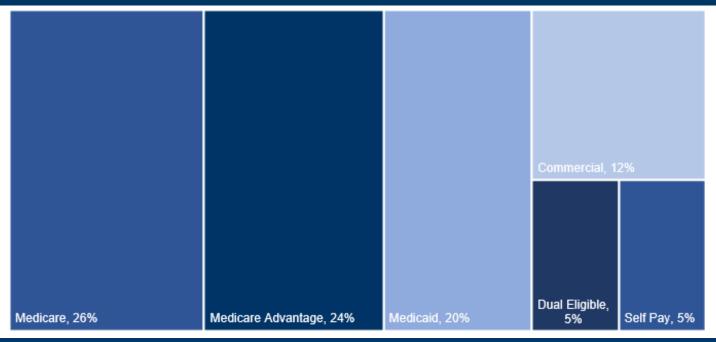


Priority Needs in Nebraska:

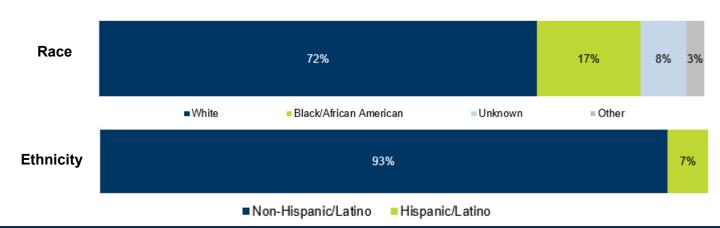
Behavioral Health - Dialysis - Bariatric - Dementia Care



Patients Awaiting Discharge to Post-Acute Setting > 7 Days by Payer Type (n=146)



Patients Awaiting Discharge to Post-Acute Setting > 7 Days by Race/Ethnicity (n=105)

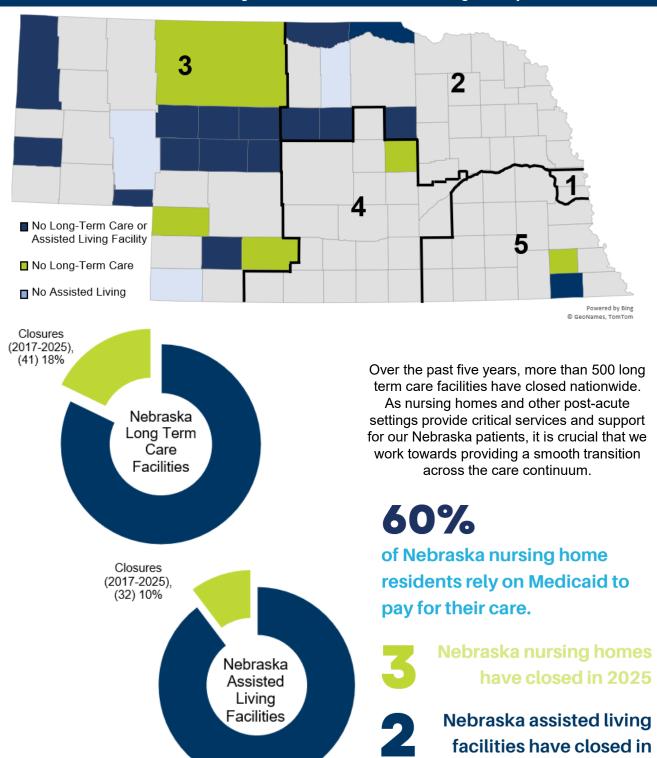


Special Requirements for Patients Awaiting a Post-Acute Setting

1:1 Supervision	32
Geriatric Psych	5
BH Needs	11
Dementia Care Needs	7



Nebraska's Current Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Facility Status



2025