

Helping you get back to life.

Recovery from surgery or an accident requires time and care.

Some patients require extended medical care but do not need acute care services or long-term care.

The solution is Valley County Health System's Swing Bed Unit.

Mission

Valley County Health System will provide progressive healthcare services in a healing, patient-centered environment.

Vision

To be the healthcare provider of choice and a symbol of strength, vitality and caring in the region we serve.

Values

- Integrity
- Compassion
- Ownership
- Respect
- Trust



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Progressive Care with Compassion



What is Swing Bed?

Swing bed is a Medicare program designed to provide additional skilled care to those needing extra time to heal before returning home.

The Swing Bed Unit allows patients to move from acute care to skilled rehabilitation at Valley County Health System. This ensures continuity of care for patients needing nursing care by keeping them in the same facility with the same doctors, nurses and therapists.

If an emergency arises during rehab, patients can return to acute care, often remaining in the same room.

Our Swing Bed Unit provides the same services as the skilled nursing units at other healthcare facilities.



What is the difference between acute care and Swing Bed?

Acute care is designed to treat illness or injury. Swing Bed is designed to help patients recover and prepare for their return home.

Who can benefit from Swing Bed care?

Any patient who does not need acute care but is not ready to go home can benefit from Swing Bed care. Below are a few examples of patients who may need this service:

- Patients recovering from major surgery, joint replacement or abdominal and vascular procedures
- Patients recovering from a major accident or stroke
- Patients with wounds that need special care

What services are provided to Swing Bed patients?

Swing Bed patients receive nursing care and daily therapy. The care plan also includes treatment to restore the ability to perform activities of daily living such as walking, climbing stairs, dressing and bathing.

Patients also have the opportunity to participate in leisure activities with the staff and residents of Valley View Living Center.

Who is on the Swing Bed team?

VCHS staff members will meet with patients and their families to discuss the plan of care and rehab goals.

Team members include:

- The patient and his or her family
- Doctor
- Nurses
- Social Services
- Dietitian
- Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapists
- Respiratory Therapist
- Wound Care Nurse

Who qualifies for Swing Bed services?

Acute care patients who have stayed at least three days at VCHS or another hospital and need additional monitoring and rehab therapy.

Is Swing Bed care covered by insurance?

Swing Bed care is often covered by Medicare, Medicaid and many private insurance plans.

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