When Home Health Ends

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What Support Is Available Next?



Home Health ending doesn't necessarily mean you no longer need support. You may have met your Home Health goals, your needs may have changed, or you may no longer meet the requirements for covered Home Health services.

Why Home Health May End

Goals reached.
You've made enough progress that skilled Home Health services are no longer needed.

Needs changed.
Another level or type of care may now be more appropriate.

Eligibility changed.
You may no longer meet the requirements for covered Home Health services.

What Support Might Come Next?

OUTPATIENT THERAPY

If you still need rehabilitation, physical therapy, occupational therapy or speech therapy may continue in an outpatient setting.

HOME CARE & COMPANION SUPPORT

Help with everyday activities such as personal care, bathing, dressing, meal preparation, errands, light housekeeping, companionship or supervision.

This is different from Home Health and is often paid for differently.

PRIVATE-DUTY / IN-HOME NURSING

Additional nursing support for people who continue to have medical care needs at home. Availability, eligibility and payment vary.

CARE MANAGEMENT & RESOURCE NAVIGATION

For families who need help understanding options, coordinating services, locating resources or developing a longer-term plan.

How Will I Pay for Ongoing Support?

Coverage and payment depend on the type of service, your insurance and individual eligibility. Medicare, Medicaid/ALTCS, Veterans benefits, long-term care insurance, community programs and private pay may play different roles.

→ See Care Connection's ***Need Help Paying for Care?*** resource for more information.

Questions to Ask Before Home Health Ends

1. What needs do I still have, and which services could address them?
2. Are there safety concerns or tasks I may still need help with at home?
3. Which services might my insurance or other programs cover, and which would I need to pay for myself?

The end of one service may be the beginning of a different kind of support.

Your needs can change throughout recovery. Ask what support you still need—not simply which service is ending.

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