

# Benefits of Nursing Care Center Accreditation & Specialty Certifications

You've always known that The Joint Commission name is synonymous with the highest level of quality and safety. Now, the results of a recent rigorous comparative study prove it. Researchers analyzed the performance of Joint Commission-accredited facilities utilizing the publicly available CMS Nursing Home Compare data set. Here's a snapshot of just how differently they perform in the areas that matter most to you, your care partners, payors and patients.



## Reduced Financial Risk

Accredited providers are less likely to have payment denials.



## Fewer Deficiencies

Accredited providers had fewer and less severe deficiencies.



## Better Outcomes

Post-Acute Care certified providers sweep the competition on all 5 short-stay quality measures. Long-stay residents have fewer falls resulting in major injuries.



## More Stars

Accredited providers perform better on each of the components that comprise CMS' 5-Star Quality Rating. Post-Acute Care certified providers perform significantly better on the overall star rating.



## Better Mobility

Joint Commission-accredited providers were more likely to help patients get better at moving around and experience less pain during treatment.

Source: The Joint Commission research team completed a study that has been published in the Journal of the American Medical Directors Association (JAMDA): Comparing Public Quality Ratings for Accredited and Nonaccredited Nursing Homes, Scott C. Williams PsyD, David J. Morton PhD, Barbara I. Braun PhD, Beth Ann Longo RN, MBA, MSN, David W. Baker MD, MPH, Journal of the American Medical Directors Association, Volume 18, Issue 1, January 2017, Pages 24-29.