










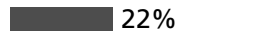











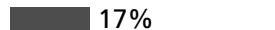














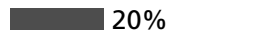











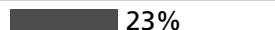


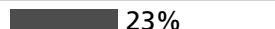





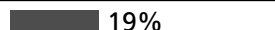





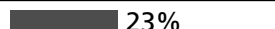





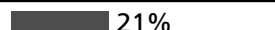








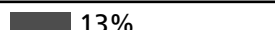








We care about the quality of home health care.

How does your local home health agency compare?

Find this information and much more at www.medicare.gov.

	City	Patients who get better at bathing	Patients who get better at walking or moving around	Patients who get better at taking their medicines correctly (by mouth)
Maine State Average		 55%	 32%	 32%
Androscoggin Home Care & Hospi	Lewiston	 59%	 38%	 35%
Bangor Area Visiting Nurses	Bangor	 60%	 30%	 38%
Calais Regional Hospital H H A	Calais	 38%	 33%	 22%
Community Health & Counseling	Bangor	 49%	 34%	 34%
Community Health & Nursing Ser	Brunswick	 61%	 32%	 31%
Community Health Services	Portland	 60%	 34%	 33%
Gentiva Health Services	Bangor	 42%	 29%	 17%
Gentiva Health Services - Fmtn	Farmington	 58%	 35%	 48%
Gentiva Health Services - Lstn	Lewiston	 49%	 32%	 22%
Hancock County Homecare	Blue Hill	 59%	 33%	 41%
Healthreach Homecare	Waterville	 53%	 28%	 30%
Home Health & Hospice St Jos	Bangor	 35%	 23%	 20%
Inland Homecare	Waterville	 51%	 34%	 32%
Interim Healthcare Services	Portland	 53%	 37%	 38%
Kno-Wal-Lin Homecare & Hospice	Rockland	 55%	 34%	 35%
Madigan Home Health Care, Inc.	Houlton	 38%	 32%	 23%
Miles Home Health and Hospice	Damariscotta	 50%	 35%	 23%
Professional Home Nursing Inc	Caribou	 48%	 37%	 34%
S V H Care at Home	Pittsfield	 39%	 27%	 19%
So. Maine Health & Homecare	Kennebunk	 60%	 33%	 25%
St Andrews Home Health	Boothbay Harbor	 45%	 24%	 23%
Stephens Memorial Home Care	Norway	 54%	 34%	 31%
Sunrise County Home Care Svcs.	Machias	 47%	 26%	 21%
V N A Home Health Care	So Portland	 59%	 29%	 34%
Visiting Nurse Service	Saco	 54%	 31%	 33%
Visiting Nurses of Aroostook	Caribou	 45%	 24%	 13%
Waldo County Home Healthcare	Belfast	 60%	 38%	 35%
York Hospital Home Care	York	 62%	 21%	 36%
<i>Actual data from home health agencies (rounded) in alphabetical order. All home health agencies may not be listed. Look at "Home Health Compare" at www.medicare.gov on the web for a complete list of Medicare-certified home health agencies in your area.</i>				

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), an agency of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, believes that one way to improve the quality of care is to provide quality measures you can use to compare home health agencies.

What is home health care?

Home health care is provided when you have a medical need for skilled nursing care and other services, like physical and occupational therapy, speech-language therapy, and medical social services provided by a variety of skilled health care professionals at home. Home health care may help you reach and keep your best physical, mental, and social well-being.

Why is this information important?

Quality measures, along with other information, can help you make decisions about home health care. The quality measures chosen by CMS give you an idea of

the quality of care given by each agency. These measures were chosen because they relate to activities that are important to help you continue to live at home.

More information?

CMS has more quality measures and other information to help you make decisions about home health care. Look at "Home Health Compare" at www.medicare.gov on the web, or call **1-800-MEDICARE** (1-800-633-4227). TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048. You may also talk to your doctor or ask friends about their home health experiences.

CMS and Northeast Health Care Quality Foundation (Maine's Quality Improvement Organization) are committed to work together with consumers, those who act on their behalf, the home health industry, and the State of Maine to improve the quality of care for home health care patients.



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