

Resolution Title: Resolution on Medicare Aid for Home Care
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WHEREAS, Medicare reimbursement for members receiving treatment on an outpatient basis is typically unavailable for home care services unless there has been at least three days of hospitalization; and

WHEREAS, this requirement was instituted at a time when hospital stays were generally longer and does not recognize the current practice of providing medical care on an outpatient basis; and

WHEREAS, current Medicare policy does not reflect continued need for home care and other rehabilitation services for patients undergoing treatment on an outpatient basis; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that NYSUT urge AFT and the AFL-CIO to seek legislation to eliminate the three-day in-hospital requirement for Medicare reimbursement for home healthcare and other rehabilitation services for patients who undergo treatment on an outpatient basis when such services are prescribed by a physician.