

MEMORANDUM
Texas Department of Human Services * Long Term Care/Policy

TO: Long Term Care-Regulatory
Regional Directors and State Office Managers

FROM: Marc Gold, Director
Long Term Care Policy
State Office MC: W-519

SUBJECT: Regional Survey & Certification Letter #02-12

DATE: December 12, 2002

The attached RS&C Letter is being provided to you for information purposes and should be shared with all professional staff.

- RS&C Letter No. 02-12 - Clarification of Homebound Criteria

If you have any questions, please contact Geri Bischoff, RN, HCSSA Program Specialist, Professional Services, Long Term Care-Regulatory, at 512-438-4417.

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Attachment

c: Evelyn Delgado, E-340
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REGIONAL SURVEY AND CERTIFICATION LETTER NO. 02-12

TO: All State Survey Agencies (Action)
All title XIX Single State Agencies (Information)

SUBJECT: Clarification of Homebound Criteria

This letter is to provide you with the most recent information concerning the homebound criteria for Medicare certified home health agencies.

The enclosed Medicare Home Health Agency Manual, Transmittal 302, clarifies homebound criteria, including absences for an infrequent or relatively short duration. The additional material clarifies current policy governing homebound.

If you have any questions, please contact Jann Caldwell, of my staff, at (214) 767-4401.

Sincerely,

- Signature on File -

Molly Crawshaw, Chief
Survey and Certification Operations Branch

Enclosure can be accessed at http://cms.hhs.gov/manuals/pm_trans/R302HHA.pdf

