

Selecting Your 4Ms Care Description Form



Please use the following information to help in submitting the appropriate care description form. If you do not see your type of care, please reach out to the team by e-mail at AFHS@ihi.org.

Care Description Form	Care Settings That Use the Form
Hospital Care Description	This includes inpatient hospital care, inpatient behavioral health, hospital at home, and emergency departments NOT accredited as a GEDA site
Ambulatory Care Description	This includes primary care, PACE at care centers, cancer centers, family medicine centers, hospice care, outpatient behavioral health, spinal cord injury clinics, neuropsychology clinics, capacity clinics, and primary care at home. For submission, please use the online portal.
Convenient Care Clinics Care Description	This includes convenient care clinics and urgent care clinics
Nursing Home Care Description	This includes nursing facilities, long-term care, inpatient rehabilitation facilities, skilled nursing facilities, and post-acute care
Home Health Care Description	This includes skilled services provided in the home by home health agencies, PACE at home, and skilled services provided in the home. This does NOT include personal or home care companies.
GEDA Care Description.(Geriatric Emergency Department Accredited Sites)	This is only for emergency departments that have achieved GEDA accreditation (any level)
GSV Care Descriptions.(Geriatric Surgery Verification Sites)	This is only for sites that have achieved GSV accreditation (any level)

The following types of care settings are **NOT** currently eligible for recognition. We encourage you to remain engaged in the Age-Friendly Health Systems movement through webinars and newsletters. Although you are not eligible for recognition, you may also participate in the Action Communities, the Open School Course, and the Online Course with Coaching. Our team is working to creating pathways for different care settings to receive recognition. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact our team by e-mail at AFHS@ihi.org.

- Mobile Health
- Physical Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Dental Clinics
- Personal Care Home
- Eye Clinics
- Pharmacies
- Telehealth
- EMT Services
- Health Plans
- Assisted Living Facilities

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