Joint Commission Accreditation is Associated with Better Home Health Performance

Here’s a snapshot of just how differently Joint Commission-accredited home health agencies perform in the areas that matter most to you, your care partners, payors and patients.

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

**More Stars**
Joint Commission-accredited providers perform statistically better on CMS’ 5-Star Quality Rating.

**Fewer ER Visits & Readmissions**
Joint Commission-accredited providers were more likely to get “better than expected” outcomes on these important measures. This can help your agency boost referrals while reducing your care partner’s costs.

Researchers compared the performance of Joint Commission-accredited and non-accredited home health agencies utilizing the publicly available CMS Home Health Compare data set. According to the recently published study*, Joint Commission-accredited organizations:

- Performed consistently better across wide dimensions of measures, year over year
- Specifically performed better on 3 of the 7 outcome measures and 10 out of the 13 process measures
- Statistically were more likely to perform better-than-expected on CMS risk adjusted measures

*Source: The Joint Commission research team recently completed a new study that has now been published in the journal Home Health Care Management and Practice – Comparing Public Quality Ratings for Accredited and Nonaccredited Home Health Agencies Scott C. Williams, PsyD1, David J. Morton, PhD1, Susan Yendro, RN, MSN1, and David W. Bailey, MD, MPH, FACP1 Home Health Care Management & Practice 1–7 First Published November 3, 2017 Research Article

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