

Choosing a Home Health Care Agency

If visiting nurses or home health care is appropriate for you when you come home from the hospital, choosing the VNA is easy.

Everyone has the right to choose the home health care agency of their choice, whether in the hospital or the doctor's office.

To receive home health services:

- you must be homebound
- you must require an intermittent skill that needs to be performed by a licensed professional
- the doctor must order home health services

Usually at the hospital, a social worker will discuss these services with you and offer you a list of home health care agencies from which you may choose who will provide the necessary services in your home. Once you have chosen an agency, the social worker will contact the home health agency who will, in turn, call you to schedule a visit.

REMEMBER: It is your choice, not the hospital's or doctor's, which home health care agency you want to visit you.

The choice is **YOURS!**

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