



# Provider Update

*This update contains pertinent information about changes that will impact the Johns Hopkins HealthCare provider network.*

## **Temporary Waiver of Three-Day Inpatient Stay for SNF Care for Johns Hopkins US Family Health Plan (USFHP)**

**Effective Date:** September 3, 2020

**Health Plan(s) Affected:** Johns Hopkins US Family Health Plan (USFHP)

### **Explanation of Change(s):**

TRICARE has issued its interim final rule regarding temporary modifications to requirements, including its inpatient stay requirement for coverage at a Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF).

With this new rule, for the duration of the pandemic, Johns Hopkins USFHP waives the requirement for members to have a 3-day qualifying inpatient stay as a condition of approval for a SNF level of care. Johns Hopkins USFHP members can be transferred or admitted directly to a SNF when it is clinically appropriate.

Authorization rules still apply.

Find more information on [COVID-19 impacts to USFHP coverage](#).