WHERE DO I GO FROM HERE?

PT's ROLE IN DISCHARGE RECOMMENDATIONS

LONG TERM ACUTE CARE? (LTACH)

- a continuation of hospital-level care due to medical complexity in a longer-term setting
- complex medical requirements needed
- offer intense, constant care



ACUTE INPATIENT REHAB? (AIR)

- receive multi-disciplinary therapy (PT, OT, SLP)
- timing: minimum of 3 hours a day, 5 days/week
- goal: restore physical independence, prevent hospital re-admission
- pt has a medical condition which requires physician care provided 24 hours/day, 7 days/week

National average length of stay **16 days**



Statistics: Discharge Rate to Community

76%

SKILLED NURSING FACILITY? (SNF)

- non-intensive multi-disciplinary therapy (PT, OT, SLP)
- therapy does not occur every day
- timing: average of 1-2 hours of skilled therapy services
- attending physician, PA, or NP only required to visit patient once every 30 days

Statistics: Discharge Rate to Community 40%

National average length of stay **28 days**

Discussions with your medical team, insurance coverage, home setup, possible caregiver support at home, and progress in physical therapy are key determiners for best discharge location.