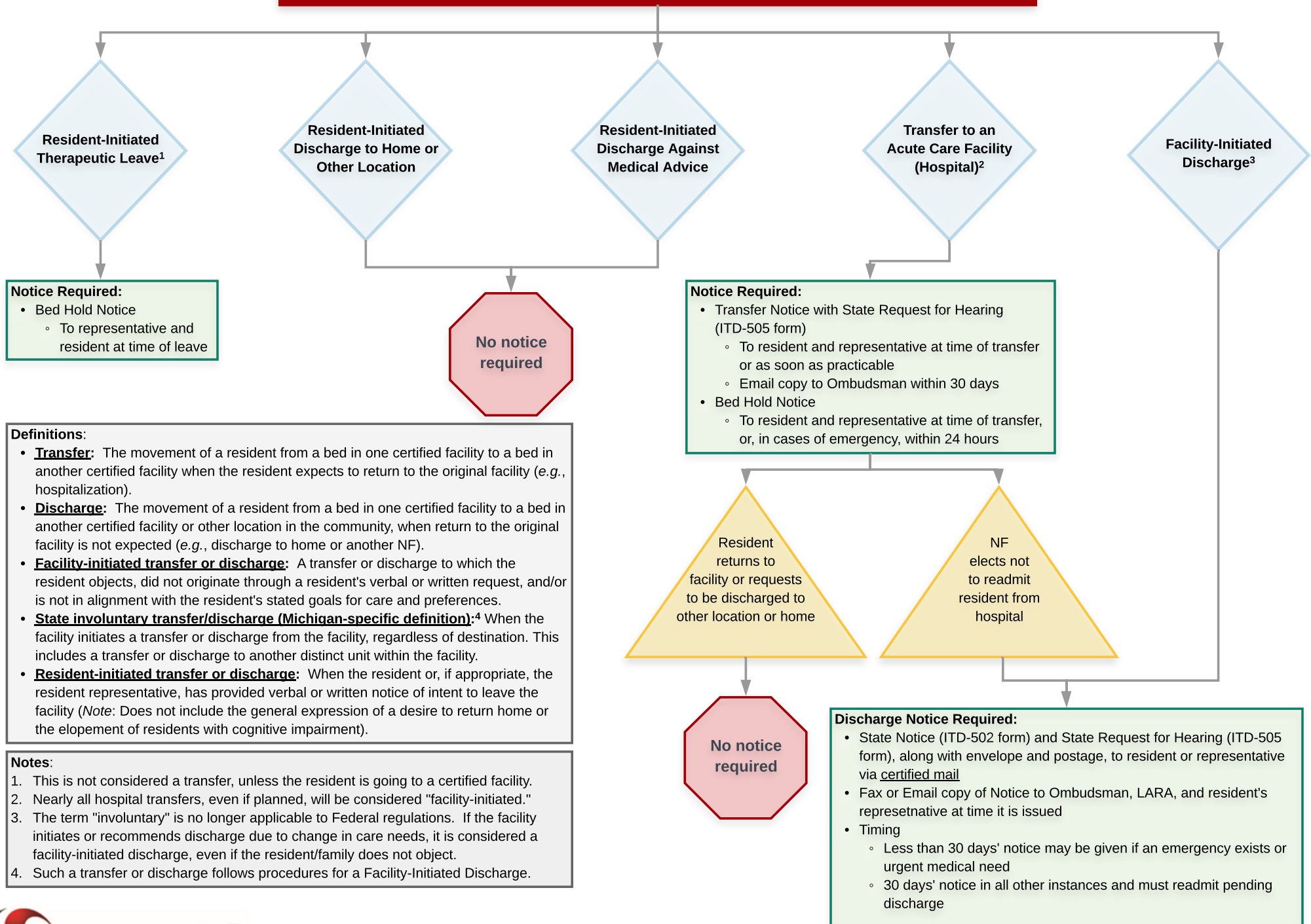


# Required Notices for SNF Transfer & Discharge (Michigan)



**Definitions:**

- **Transfer:** The movement of a resident from a bed in one certified facility to a bed in another certified facility when the resident expects to return to the original facility (e.g., hospitalization).
- **Discharge:** The movement of a resident from a bed in one certified facility to a bed in another certified facility or other location in the community, when return to the original facility is not expected (e.g., discharge to home or another NF).
- **Facility-initiated transfer or discharge:** A transfer or discharge to which the resident objects, did not originate through a resident's verbal or written request, and/or is not in alignment with the resident's stated goals for care and preferences.
- **State involuntary transfer/discharge (Michigan-specific definition):**<sup>4</sup> When the facility initiates a transfer or discharge from the facility, regardless of destination. This includes a transfer or discharge to another distinct unit within the facility.
- **Resident-initiated transfer or discharge:** When the resident or, if appropriate, the resident representative, has provided verbal or written notice of intent to leave the facility (Note: Does not include the general expression of a desire to return home or the elopement of residents with cognitive impairment).

**Notes:**

1. This is not considered a transfer, unless the resident is going to a certified facility.
2. Nearly all hospital transfers, even if planned, will be considered "facility-initiated."
3. The term "involuntary" is no longer applicable to Federal regulations. If the facility initiates or recommends discharge due to change in care needs, it is considered a facility-initiated discharge, even if the resident/family does not object.
4. Such a transfer or discharge follows procedures for a Facility-Initiated Discharge.



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