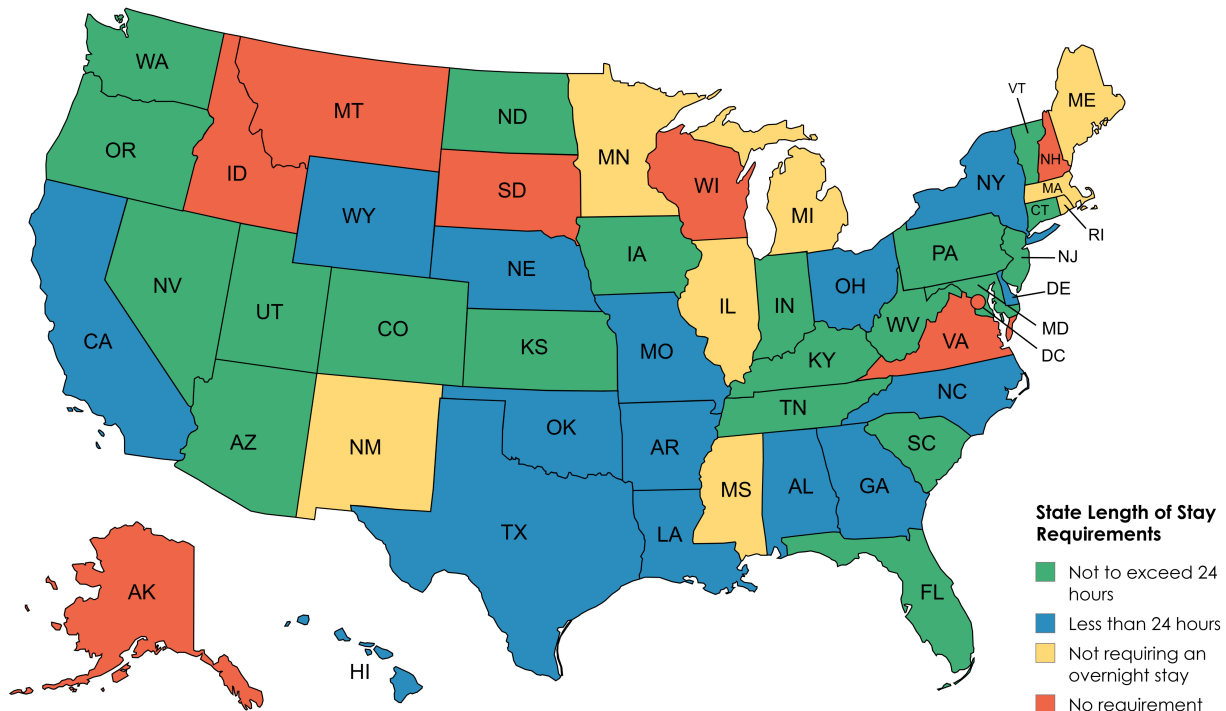


## ASC Length of Stay Requirements

In 2009, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) finalized a rule that provided that surgical services provided at ambulatory surgical centers have an expected duration not exceeding 24 hours. Following the rule change, many states adopted similar requirements surrounding lengths of stay at ambulatory surgery centers. Visit ASCA's [State Law Database](#) to learn more about the nuances of each state's requirements.

Requirement	States
Not to exceed 24 hours	Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Nevada, New Jersey, North Dakota, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Washington, West Virginia
Less than 24 hours	Alabama, Arkansas, California, Delaware, Georgia, Hawaii, Louisiana, Missouri, Nebraska, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas, Wyoming
Not requiring an overnight stay	Illinois, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, New Mexico, Rhode Island
No Requirement	Alaska, DC, Idaho, Montana, New Hampshire, South Dakota, Virginia, Wisconsin



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