

Table A1: Synoptic overview about the most important key facts of basic geriatric care (BGC) and specialized geriatric care (SGC) in Germany and Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania (MWP).

	Basic Geriatric Care (BGC)	Specialized Geriatric Care (SGC)
Comprised Services	Basic Geriatric Assessment (BGA) Basic Geriatric Treatment (BGT)	Comprehensive Geriatric Assessment (CGA) Comprehensive Geriatric Treatment (CGT)
Addressed Patients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Age ≥ 70 and one geriatric syndrome (see table 1) or an approved care level according to the statutory long-term insurance Patients at any age diagnosed with Alzheimer disease, Dementia, or Parkinson 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Age ≥ 70 and two geriatric syndrome (see table 1) or one geriatric syndrome and an approved care level according to the statutory long-term insurance
Authorized healthcare providers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General practitioners (GP) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specialized geriatric practitioners (SP) General practitioners (GP) with an additional qualification in geriatrics Geriatric inpatient ambulances (GIA) or hospital doctors authorized for taking part in the outpatient geriatric care by the Association of Statuary Health Insurance Physicians (ASHIP)
Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standardized Assessment and Monitoring of several health dimensions of the patient (e.g., cognition, mobility, social situation, etc.) Prescription, coordination and management of therapies The GP monitors the therapy progress and the patients' medications 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehensive standardized Assessment of the health and social situation of the patient Team-based approach towards the definition and monitoring of treatment goals and a treatment plan, including frequent case conferences of the SP and other involved physicians, therapists or caregivers.
Reimbursement Codes	GOP 03360: BGA GOP 03362: BGT GOP 30980: Consultation with SP in order to determine the need for a CGA GOP 30988: SGT based on the results of a CGA	GOP 30981: Consultation with GP in order to determine the need for a CGA GOP 30984-30986: CGA and additional charge if a more extensive CGA is needed GOP 30988: SGT based on the results of a CGA GOP 01321: Fixed rate for GIA
Eligible Patients in MWP in 2017	221,654 patients (75.3% of all inhabitants of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania aged ≥ 70 years)	95,171 patients (32.3% of the population of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania ≥ 70 years)
Prevalence MWP in 2017	BGA: 113,581 patients (38,6 % of the inhabitants aged 70 years or older in MWP) BGT: 118,755 patients (40,3 % of the inhabitants aged 70 years or older in MWP)	CGA: 129 patients (0,04 % of the inhabitants aged 70 years or older in MWP) CGT: 89 patients (0,03 % of the inhabitants aged 70 years or older in MWP)