

## **In U.S. nursing homes, where Covid-19 killed scores, even reports of maggots and rape don't dock five-star ratings.**

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The value of [rating systems](#) can be challenged by bias and misinterpretation due to a variety of factors. This article outlines how [nursing home patients](#) fell victim to both systemic and care failings in the US nursing homes, yet their facilities still ranked high in a national rating system. The authors discuss failures including the lack of data auditing and a focus on ratings rather than quality.