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Statutory Authority

CHAPTER AUTHORITY:
N.J.S.A. 30:4D-1 et seq. and 30:4J-8 et seq.

History

CHAPTER SOURCE AND EFFECTIVE DATE:
Effective: April 4, 2013.
See: 45 N.J.R. 1139(c).

CHAPTER HISTORICAL NOTE:
Chapter 60, Home Health Services Manual, was adopted as R.1971 d.56, effective April 21, 1971. See: 3 N.J.R. 42(a), 3 N.J.R. 83(a).
Subchapter 4, Home Care Expansion Program, was adopted as R.1990 d.466, effective September 17, 1990. See: 22 N.J.R. 597(a), 22 N.J.R. 2967(a).
Chapter 60, Home Care Services Manual, was repealed and Chapter 60, Home Care Services, was adopted as new rules by R.1991 d.65, effective February 19, 1991, operative March 1, 1991. See: 22 N.J.R. 3116(a), 23 N.J.R. 420(b).
Subchapter 2, Covered Home Care Services (Home Health Care Services and Personal Care Assistant Services), was repealed, Subchapter 3, Home and Community-Based Services
Waiver Programs, was recodified as Subchapter 2, Home and Community-Based Services Waiver Programs, Subchapter 4, Home Care Extension Program, was recodified as Subchapter 3, Home Care Extension Program, Subchapter 5, HCFA Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS), was recodified as Subchapter 4, HCFA Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS), and Subchapter 6, Billing Procedures for Home Care Services, was repealed by R.1994 d.41, effective January 18, 1994. See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).


Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 60, Home Care Services, was readopted as R.1996 d.18, effective December 7, 1995. See: 27 N.J.R. 3667(a), 28 N.J.R. 184(a).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 60, Home Care Services, was readopted as R.2001 d.14, effective December 7, 2000, and Subchapter 3, Home Care Expansion Program, was repealed and Subchapter 3, Personal Care Assistant (PCA) Services, was adopted as new rules, Subchapter 4, HCFA Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS), was recodified as Subchapter 11, HCFA Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS), and Subchapter 4, Personal Care Assistant Services for the Mentally Ill, was adopted as new rules, Subchapter 5, Traumatic Brain Injury Program, was recodified as Subchapter 9, Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for Persons with Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBI Waiver), Subchapter 5, Private Duty Nursing (PDN) Services, was adopted as new rules, and Subchapter 8, Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for Medically Fragile Children Under Division of Youth and Family Services Supervision (ABC Waiver), was adopted as new rules by R.2001 d.14, effective January 2, 2001. See: 32 N.J.R. 3940(a), 33 N.J.R. 66(a). See, also, section annotations.

Chapter 60, Home Care Services, was readopted as R.2006 d.238, effective May 30, 2006. See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).

Subchapter 6, "Home and Community-Based Services Waivers for Blind or Disabled Children and Adults (Model Waivers 1, 2, and 3)", was renamed "Home and Community-Based Services Waivers for Blind or Disabled Children and Adults Community Resources for People With Disabilities (CRPD) Waiver Program" and Subchapter 11, "HCFA Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS)", was renamed "Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS)" by R.2006 d.238 effective July 3, 2006. See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1b, Chapter 60, Home Care Services, was scheduled to expire on May 30, 2013. See: 43 N.J.R. 1203(a).

Chapter 60, Home Care Services, was readopted, effective April 4, 2013. See: Source and Effective Date.

Subchapter 2, Home Health Agency (HHA) Services, was renamed Home Health Agency (HHA) Skilled Services; Subchapter 4, Personal Care Assistant Services for the Mentally Ill, Subchapter 6, Home and Community-Based Services Waivers for Blind or Disabled Children and Adults Community Resources for People with Disabilities (CRPD) Waiver Program, Subchapter 7, AIDS Community Care Alternatives Program (ACCAP Waiver), Subchapter 8, Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for Medically Fragile Children Under Division of Youth and Family Services Supervision (ABC Waiver), Subchapter 9, Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for Persons with Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBI Waiver), and Subchapter
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10, Home and Community-Based Services Waivers Administered by Other State Agencies, were repealed; and Subchapter 6, Managed Long-Term Services and Supports (MLTSS) Provided Under the New Jersey 1115 Comprehensive Medicaid Waiver, was adopted as new rules by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018. See: 49 N.J.R. 2698(a), 50 N.J.R. 1992(b).

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§ 10:60-1.1 Purpose and scope

(a) The purpose of this chapter is to explain the rules under which home care services are administered to those individuals determined eligible to receive such services on a fee-for-service basis.

(b) This chapter provides requirements for, and information about, the following services and programs:

1. Home health services;
2. Personal care assistant services;
3. Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment/Private Duty Nursing (EPSDT/PDN) Services;
4. Home and Community-Based Services Waiver programs, which are administered by the Department of Human Services through 42 U.S.C. § 1915(c) waivers, as follows:
   i. Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for Intellectually and/or Developmentally Disabled (DDD-CCW) Individuals; and
5. The New Jersey Comprehensive Waiver demonstration programs (Section 1115): NJ FamilyCare managed long-term services and supports (MLTSS).

(c) Home health agencies and health care service firm agencies are eligible to participate as Medicaid and NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service home care services providers. The services that each type of agency may provide and the qualifications required to participate as a Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare provider are listed in N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.2 and 1.3.

(d) General information about the home health agency services program and the personal care assistant services program are outlined in this subchapter. Specific program requirements are provided in N.J.A.C. 10:60-2 and 3, respectively.

(e) N.J.A.C. 10:60-11, CMS Common Procedure Coding System-HCPCS, outlines the procedure codes used to submit a claim for services provided in accordance with this chapter.

History
HISTORY:
See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).
Amended by R.1996 d.43, effective January 16, 1996.
In (b), inserted a reference to services in the introductory paragraph, and rewrote 3 through 5; in (c) through (f), changed N.J.A.C. references; in (c), inserted "and NJ KidCare fee-for-service" following "Medicaid"; in (e), deleted a reference to the Home Care Expansion Program; and in (f), substituted "(except CCPED and ECO)" for "the Home Care Expansion Program, and", and added a reference to the Traumatic Brain Injury Program.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Rewrote (b)4i; in (c), substituted "FamilyCare" for "KidCare"; and in (f), inserted a comma after the N.J.A.C. reference, substituted "CMS" for "HCFA" and inserted ", Assisted Living (AL)".
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
Rewrote the section.
The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meaning, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

"Accreditation organization" means an agency approved by the Department of Human Services to provide quality oversight of Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare home care agencies and certify that services are being performed in accordance with acceptable practices and established standards. A current list of entities approved by the Department as accreditation organizations can be obtained by contacting the Department. Interested parties should ensure that the most current list is obtained before taking any action based on such a list. The Department can be contacted by calling (609) 292-3717 or online at http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/index.shtml.

"Activities of daily living (ADL)" means activities related to self-care, performed either independently or with supervision or assistance, which include, but are not limited to, dressing and undressing, bathing, eating, grooming, ambulation, transferring, toileting, and mobility. The inability to independently perform such tasks may be used as a measure to determine a person's level of disability.

"Annual cost threshold (ACT)" means the annualized long-term services and support portion of the capitation rate for residence in a nursing facility or special care nursing facility as appropriate to a beneficiary's needs as determined by the Office of Community Options. The ACT is determined by the Department of Health in accordance with N.J.A.C. 8:85.

"Calendar day" means from 12:00 A.M. up to, but not including, the following 12:00 A.M.

"Calendar work week" means the time parameters which constitute a work week for personal care assistant services. These time parameters are from Sunday at 12:00 A.M. to Saturday at 11:59 P.M.

"Class C boarding home" means a boarding home which offers personal assistance as well as room and board, as defined by the Department of Community Affairs (see N.J.A.C. 5:27).

"Complexity" means the degree of difficulty and/or intensity of treatment/procedures.
"Continuous ongoing" means that the beneficiary requires the provision of skilled nursing intervention, on an ongoing basis, up to 24-hours per day/seven days per week, where the beneficiary cannot be taught to self-perform the task and alternative support is not available.

"DDD" means the Division of Developmental Disabilities in the New Jersey Department of Human Services.

"DDS" means the Division of Disability Services in the New Jersey Department of Human Services.

"DoAS" means the Division of Aging Services in the New Jersey Department of Human Services.

"DHS" means the New Jersey Department of Human Services.

"DOH" means the New Jersey Department of Health.

"Dietitian" means a person who is a graduate of an accredited college or university with courses meeting the academic standards of the American Dietetic Association, plus a dietetic internship or dietetic traineeship or master's degree plus six months experience. A registered dietitian is one who has met current requirements for registration.

"Discharge planning" means that component part of a total individualized plan of care formulated by all members of the agency's health care team, together with the beneficiary and/or his or her family or interested person which anticipates the health care needs of the beneficiary in order to provide for continuity of care after the services of the home care agency have terminated. Such planning aims to provide humane and psychological preparation to enable the beneficiary to adjust to his or her changing needs and circumstance.

"DMAHS" means the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services in the Department of Human Services.

"Early and periodic screening, diagnosis and treatment/private duty nursing (EPSDT/PDN)" means the private duty nursing services provided to Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment Program beneficiaries under 21 years of age who live in the community and whose medical condition and treatment plan justify that need.

"Face-to-face encounter" means direct contact between a beneficiary and a physician/practitioner authorized to certify home care services.

"Field security cost" means costs incurred by a home health agency in providing security personnel to accompany medical care staff of a home health agency during onsite visits to the patient's home.

"Hands-on personal care" means physical assistance given to a Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare beneficiary with bathing, dressing, grooming, toileting, mobility/ambulation, feeding, and transfers.

"Health care service firm" means any person who operates a firm, registered with the Division of Consumer Affairs, that employs individuals directly or indirectly for the purpose of assigning the employed individuals to provide health care or personal care services either directly in the home or at a care-giving facility, and who, in addition to paying wages or salaries to the employed individuals while on assignment, pays or is required to pay Federal Social Security taxes and State and Federal unemployment insurance;
carries, or is required to carry, worker's compensation insurance; and sustains responsibility for the action of the employed individuals while they render health care services.

"Home health agency" means a public or private agency or organization, either proprietary or non-profit, or a subdivision of such an agency or organization, which qualifies as follows:

1. Is approved by the New Jersey State Department of Health, including requirements for Certificate of Need and licensure when applicable;
2. Is certified as a home health agency under the Title XVIII (Medicare) Program; and
3. Is approved for participation as a home health agency provider by the New Jersey Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare program or the Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare agent.

"Homemaker-home health aide" means a person who:

1. Successfully completes a training program in personal care assistant services and is certified by the New Jersey State Department of Law and Public Safety, Board of Nursing, as a homemaker-home health aide. A copy of the certificate issued by the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Board of Nursing or other documentation acceptable to the Division is retained in the agency's personnel file.
2. Successfully completes a minimum of 12 hours in-service education per year offered by the agency; and
3. Is supervised by a registered professional nurse employed by a Division approved home health agency provider.

"Hospice agency" means a public agency or private organization (or subdivision of such organization) that is Medicare certified for hospice care in accordance with N.J.A.C. 10:53A, and has a valid provider agreement with the Division to provide hospice services.

"Instrumental activities of daily living (IADL)" means those non-hands-on personal care assistance services that are essential to the beneficiary's health and comfort, including, but not limited to, housekeeping, food preparation, doing laundry, and shopping.

"Legally responsible relative" means the spouse of an adult or the parent or legal guardian of a minor child.

"Levels of care" means two levels of home health care services, acute and chronic, provided by a certified, licensed home health agency, as needed, to Medicaid or NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service beneficiaries, upon request of the attending physician.

1. "Acute home health care" means concentrated and/or complex professional and non-professional services on a continuing basis where there is anticipated change in condition and services required.
2. "Chronic home health care" means either long or short-term uncomplicated, professional and non-professional services, where there is no anticipated change in condition and services required.

"Licensed practical nurse" means a person who is licensed by the State of New Jersey as a practical nurse, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37, having completed formal accredited nursing education programs.

"Managed long-term services and supports (MLTSS)" means services that are provided under the Comprehensive Waiver through Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare managed care organization plans, the purpose of which is to support beneficiaries who meet nursing home level of care in the most appropriate setting to meet their specific needs.

"Medical Assistance Customer Center (MACC)" means one of the community-based Division offices located throughout the State.

"Minimal assistance" means non-weight bearing support with minimal physical assistance from the caregiver, when the beneficiary needs physical help in guided maneuvering of limbs or other non-weight bearing assistance such as getting in and out of the tub, dressing, or assistance in washing difficult to reach places.

"Moderate assistance" means weight bearing support, hand-over-hand assistance, in which the beneficiary is involved with physically performing less than 50 percent of the tasks on their own.

"Non-routine supplies" means non-routine supplies defined in the Medicare Medical Review Supply List published August 1994 by United Government Services, incorporated herein by reference, as amended and supplemented. (A copy of the list may be obtained from United Government Services, 115 Stevens Ave., Valhalla, N.Y. 10595.)

"Nutritionist" means a person who has graduated from an accredited college or university, with a major in foods or nutrition or the equivalent course work for a major in the subject area, and two years of full-time professional experience in nutrition. Successful completion of a dietetic internship of traineeship in hospital or community nutrition approved by the American Dietetic Association, or completion of a master's degree in the subject area may be substituted for the two years of full-time experience.

"Occupational therapist" means a person who is registered by the American Occupational Therapy Association, or a graduate of a program in occupational
therapy approved by the Council on Medical Education of the American Medical Association and engaged in the supplemental clinical experience required before registration by the American Occupational Therapy Association. If treatment and/or services are provided in a state other than New Jersey, the occupational therapist shall meet the practice requirements of that state including licensure, if applicable, and shall also meet all applicable federal requirements.

"On-site monitoring" means a visit by Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services or Division of Disability Services staff, or an agent designated by either Division, to a home health agency, accredited health care services firm, or hospice agency to monitor compliance with this chapter.

"Performance standards" for the purpose of this chapter means the criteria established by this Division in order to measure the beneficiary/caregiver's satisfaction with the quality, quantity and appropriateness of the services delivered.

"Personal care assistant" means a person who:

1. Successfully completed a training program in personal care services and is certified by the New Jersey State Department of Law and Public Safety, Board of Nursing, as a homemaker-home health aide. A copy of the certificate or other documentation issued by the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Board of Nursing is retained in the agency's personnel file.

2. Successfully completes a minimum of 12 hours in-service education per year offered by the agency; and

3. Is supervised by a registered professional nurse employed by a Division-approved healthcare services firm, home health agency, or hospice agency.

"Personal care assistant (PCA) services" means health related tasks associated with the cueing, supervision, and/or the completion of the activities of daily living, as well as instrumental activities of daily living (IADL) related tasks performed by a qualified individual in a beneficiary's home, or at a place of employment or post-secondary educational or training program, under the supervision of a registered professional nurse, certified as medically necessary, in accordance with a beneficiary's written plan of care.

"Physical therapist" means a person who meets all the applicable Federal requirements, and

1. If practicing in the State of New Jersey, is licensed by the State of New Jersey; or

2. If treatment and/or services are provided in a state other than New Jersey, meets the requirements of that state, including licensure, if applicable.
"Physician" means a doctor of medicine (M.D.) or osteopathy (D.O.) licensed to practice medicine and surgery by the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners, or similarly licensed by comparable agencies of the state in which the physician practices.

"Plan of care" means the individualized and documented program of health care services provided by all members of the home health agency, health care services firm, or hospice agency involved in the delivery of home care services to a beneficiary. The plan includes short-term and long-term goals for rehabilitation, restoration or maintenance made in cooperation with the beneficiary and/or responsible family members or interested person. Appropriate instruction of beneficiary, and/or the family or interested person as well as a plan for discharge are also essential components of the treatment plan. The plan shall be reviewed periodically and revised appropriately according to the observed changes in the beneficiary's condition.

"Preadmission screening (PAS)" means that process by which all eligible Medicaid and NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service beneficiaries, and individuals who may become Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare eligible within 180 days following admission to a Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare certified nursing facility, and who are seeking admission to a Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare certified nursing facility or requesting MLTSS services under the comprehensive waiver program receive an in-person standardized assessment by professional staff designated by the DoAS to determine nursing facility (NF) level of care and to provide counseling on options for care.

"Primary caregiver" means an adult relative or significant other adult, at least 18 years of age, who resides with the beneficiary and accepts 24-hour responsibility for the health and welfare of the beneficiary. For the beneficiary to receive private duty nursing services under MLTSS or EPSDT, the primary caregiver must reside with the beneficiary and provide a minimum of eight hours of care to the beneficiary in any 24 hour period.

"Prior authorization" means the process of approval by the Division for certain services prior to the provision of these services. Prior authorization also may be applied in other service areas in situations of an agency's continued non-compliance with program requirements. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.1, if a patient is enrolled in an HMO, authorization for reimbursement is required by the HMO prior to rendering any service.

"Private duty nursing" means individual and continuous nursing care, as different from part-time or intermittent care, provided by licensed nurses in the home to beneficiaries under MLTSS, as well as eligible EPSDT beneficiaries.
"Private duty nursing agency" means either a licensed Medicare-certified home health agency, an accredited home health care services firm, or a hospice agency, approved by DMAHS to provide private duty nursing services under MLTSS and to eligible EPSDT beneficiaries. The private duty nursing agency shall be located/have an office in New Jersey and shall have been in operation and actively engaged in home health care services in New Jersey for a period of not less than one year prior to application.

"Public health nurse" means a person licensed as a registered professional nurse, who has completed a baccalaureate degree program approved by the National League for Nursing for public health preparation, or post-baccalaureate study which includes content approved by the National League for Nursing for public health nursing preparation.

"Quality assurance," for the purpose of this chapter, means a system by which Division staff shall conduct post payment reviews to determine the beneficiary/caregiver’s satisfaction with the quality, quantity and appropriateness of home health care services provided to Medicaid and NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service beneficiaries.

"Registered professional nurse" means a person who is licensed by the State of New Jersey as a registered professional nurse, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37.

"Residential health care facility (RHCF)" means a facility, licensed in accordance with N.J.A.C. 8:43, which provides food, shelter, supervised health care and related services to four or more persons 18 years of age or older who are unrelated to the owner or administrator.

"Routine supplies" means routine supplies defined in the Medicare Medical Review Supply List published August 1994 by United Government Services, incorporated herein by reference, as amended and supplemented.

"Skilled nursing interventions" means procedures that require the knowledge and experience of a licensed registered nurse. The needed services are of such complexity that the skills of a registered nurse (RN) or a licensed practical nurse (LPN) under the supervision of a registered nurse are required to furnish the services. Services must be so inherently complex that they can be safely and effectively performed only by, or under the supervision of, professional or technical personnel. The term "professional or technical personnel" refers to the RN who is responsible for the provision of the skilled nursing intervention, or the delegation of these duties to an LPN who provides the service under the supervision of the RN. The registered nurse shall determine if the intervention could be or should be taught to and delegated to a caregiver who could safely perform it so as to not endanger or risk the beneficiary’s health and safety.
"Social worker" means a person who is licensed by the State of New Jersey as a licensed social worker or licensed clinical social worker, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:15BB-1 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 13:44G.

"Social work assistant" means a person who has a baccalaureate degree in social work, or psychology, or sociology or other field related to social work and has had at least one year of social work experience in a health care setting.

"Speech-language pathologist" means a person who meets all applicable Federal requirements, and

1. If practicing in the State of New Jersey, is licensed by the State of New Jersey; or

2. If treatment and/or services are provided in a state other than New Jersey, meets the requirements of that state, including licensure, if applicable.

"Telehealth technology" means the use of electronic information and telecommunications technologies to support long-distance clinical health care, patient, and professional health-related education, public health, and health administration. Technologies include videoconferencing, the internet, store-and-forward imaging, streaming media, and terrestrial and wireless communications.

"Therapy session" means an occupational, physical, cognitive, or speech therapy, hands-on and/or face-to-face, interaction of the participant and therapist, performed individually or in group settings, not including the preparation of reports or progress notes. A session is equal to a unit of service for billing purposes.

"Visit" means any combination of units of home health services which are provided when the home health agency staff arrives at the Medicaid or NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service beneficiary's residence and ends when the home health agency staff leaves the beneficiary's residence.

History

HISTORY:
Amended by R.1993 d.588, effective November 15, 1993.
See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).
Amended by R.1996 d.43, effective January 16, 1996.
Added "Calendar work week".
See: 30 N.J.R. 3198(a), 30 N.J.R. 4377(a).
Substituted references to beneficiaries for references to recipients throughout; inserted "Field security cost", "Non-routine supplies", "Routine supplies", "Unit" and "Visit"; in "Hospice service" and "Levels of care", inserted references to NJ KidCare fee-for-service; in "On-site monitoring", substituted a reference to this chapter for a reference to this manual; in "Personal care assistant", substituted "Division-approved" for "Medicaid-approved" in 3; in "Preadmission screening (PAS)" , inserted a reference to NJ KidCare; and in "Quality assurance", substituted a reference to this chapter for a reference to this manual, and inserted a reference to NJ KidCare.
Rewrote the section.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Substituted "Family Care" for "KidCare" and "Community Resources for People with Disabilities (CRPD)" for "Model Waiver 3" throughout; added definitions "DDD", "DDS", and "DMAHS"; deleted definitions "Division" and "Unit"; in definition "Home health agency", inserted "the" preceding "Title" in 2; rewrote definitions, "Homemaker agency", "Hospice service", "On-site monitoring" and "Private duty nursing agency"; and substituted definition "'Medical Assistance Customer Center' (MACC)" for definition "'Medicaid District Office' (MOD)".
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
Rewrote the section.
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§ 10:60-1.3 Providers eligible to participate

(a) A home care agency or organization, as described in (a)1 through 4 below, is eligible to participate as a New Jersey Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare provider of specified home care services in accordance with N.J.A.C. 10:49-3.2:

1. A home health agency, as defined in N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.2.
   i. Out-of-State home health agencies providing services to Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare beneficiaries out of State, must meet the requirements of that state, including licensure, if applicable, and must meet all applicable Federal requirements;

2. A health care service firm, as defined in N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.2;

3. A private duty nursing agency, as defined in N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.2; and

4. A hospice agency, as defined in N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.2.

(b) Health care service firms shall be accredited, initially and on an ongoing basis, by an accreditation organization approved by the Department.

(c) Entities seeking to become accreditation organizations approved by the Department shall petition the Division of Disability Services (DDS) in writing to become a Medicaid-approved accrediting entity. DDS will oversee the process, review credentials, and, within 90 days of the date of the initial request for consideration, make a recommendation to the DMAHS Director for final decision. DDS may, at its discretion, request documentation from the party to support the request. In such case, the 90-day timeframe shall be tolled pending responsive submission of all such necessary documentation.

History

HISTORY:
See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).
See: 26 N.J.R. 2840(a), 26 N.J.R. 5021(a).
In (b)1, amended date.
In (a)1i, substituted a reference to beneficiaries for a reference to recipients; and in (a)2i,
changed N.J.A.C. reference.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
In (b), inserted "the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO)",
and substituted "National Association for Home Care and Hospice" for "Foundation for Hospice and Homecare"; and deleted (b)1.
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
Rewrote the section.
§ 10:60-1.4 Out-of-State approved home health agencies

(a) For services rendered prior to January 1, 1999, final reimbursement shall be made to out-of-State approved home health agencies on the basis of 80 percent of covered reasonable charges. There is no cost filing required. No retroactive settlement shall be made.

(b) For services rendered on or after January 1, 1999, out-of-State home health agencies shall be reimbursed using the prospective payment rate established pursuant to N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.5. There is no cost filing required. No retroactive settlement shall be made.

History

HISTORY:
See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).
See: 30 N.J.R. 3198(a), 30 N.J.R. 4377(a).
In (a), added "For services rendered prior to January 1, 1999," at the beginning; and added (b).
In (b), amended N.J.A.C. references. Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.4, Covered home health services, recodified to N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.1.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
In (b), deleted "(d) and (f)" following N.J.A.C. reference.
§ 10:60-1.5 Limitations on home care services

When the cost of home care services is equal to or in excess of the cost of institutional care over a protracted period (that is, six months or more), DDS or DMAHS retains the right to limit or deny the provision of home care services on a prospective basis.

History

HISTORY:
See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).
In (f), amended internal cite and added last sentence; and in (g), substituted "obtain prior authorization … with N.J.A.C. 10:49-6.1" for "notify the Medicaid District Office (MDO), either in writing or by telephone" and amended "failure to comply" clause to conform.
Rewrote the section. Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.5, Certification of need for services, recodified to N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.2.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Section was "Limitations of home care services". Deleted designation (a), and substituted "DDS or DMAHS" for "the Division".
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§ 10:60-1.6 Advance directives

All agencies providing home health, private duty nursing, hospice, and personal care participating in the New Jersey Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare program are subject to the provisions of State and Federal statutes regarding advance directives, including, but not limited to, appropriate notification to beneficiaries of their rights, development of policies and practices, and communication to and education of staff, community, and interested parties. Detailed information may be located at N.J.A.C. 10:49-9.15, and sections 1902(a)(58), and 1902(w)(1) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 1396a(a)(58) and 1396a(w)).

History

HISTORY:


See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).


In (a), inserted references to NJ KidCare and changed P.L. reference in the introductory paragraph; and substituted references to beneficiaries for references to recipients throughout. Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.6, Plan of care, recodified to N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.3.


See: 32 N.J.R. 2687(b), 33 N.J.R. 2808(a).

Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.


Inserted a comma following "hospice" and following "community", and substituted "Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare" for "Medicaid" and "beneficiaries" for "patients".
§ 10:60-1.7 Relationship of the home care provider with the Medical Assistance Customer Center (MACC) and the NJ FamilyCare Managed Care Organization or DHS-designated entity

(a) Prior authorization shall be required for all Medicaid-eligible or NJ FamilyCare-eligible individuals and non-Medicaid eligible individuals applying for nursing facility (NF) services. Managed long-term services and supports (MLTSS) provided under the 1115 New Jersey Comprehensive Medicaid Waiver may require determination of clinical eligibility through the pre-admission screening (PAS) process. DoAS professional staff will conduct clinical eligibility assessments and/or determinations of individuals in health care facilities and community settings to evaluate eligibility for nursing facility level of care. Counseling on options for care including potential appropriate setting for the delivery of services is conducted by the Office of Community Choice Options (OCCO) or professional staff designated by DoAS.

(b) For the many individuals in the community setting referred for home care services outside the PAS process described in (a) above, an HSDP shall not be provided.

History

HISTORY:
See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).

In (a), inserted "NJ KidCare--Plan A-eligible" in the first sentence, substituted "DHSS" for "MDO" in the second sentence, and substituted "LTCFO" for "MDO" in the third sentence; in (b), substituted reference to the DHSS for references to the MDO in the first and sixth sentences,
added the last sentence, and substituted references to beneficiaries for references to recipients throughout. Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.7, Clinical records, recodified to N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.4.


See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).

Section was "Relationship of the home care provider with the Medicaid District Office (MDO) and the DHSS Long-Term Care Field Office (LTCFO)". In (a), substituted "FamilyCare" for "KidCare"; and rewrote (b).

Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.


Section was "Relationship of the home care provider with the Medical Assistance Customer Center (MACC) and the DHSS Long-Term Care Field Office (LTCFO)". Rewrote the section.
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§ 10:60-1.8 Standards of performance for concurrent and post payment quality assurance review

(a) An initial visit to evaluate the need for home health services or personal care assistant (PCA) services for a fee-for-service beneficiary shall be made by the provider. For PCA services, the provider agency shall request prior authorization using form FD-365 and a State-approved PCA Assessment tool in accordance with procedures as described under N.J.A.C. 10:60-3.9. PCA services for fee-for-service beneficiaries shall not be rendered until authorization is provided by DDS.

1. On a random selection basis, MACC staff may conduct post-payment quality assurance reviews. At the specific request of the MACC, the provider shall submit a plan of care and other documentation for those Medicaid and NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service beneficiaries selected for a quality assurance review.

2. Upon completing the post-payment quality assurance review, the MACC shall forward a performance report to the provider, based on compliance with the standards described in this section.

(b) The professional staff from the MACC will use the standards listed in (c) through (j) below to conduct a post-payment quality assurance review of home care services as provided to the Medicaid or NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service beneficiary.

(c) Skilled nursing services and visits shall be based on a comprehensive assessment performed by a registered professional nurse to identify care needs and required services and shall be provided as designated by the plan of care.

1. Home visits for nursing services shall be provided to the beneficiary as ordered by the physician and as designated by the standards of nursing practice.

2. The nurse shall make home visits as appropriate and as scheduled in the plan of care. Supervision of home health aide services is an integral component of these visits.

3. Services shall be within the scope of practice of personnel assigned.

4. Appropriate referrals for required services shall be instituted on a timely basis.
5. Nursing progress notes and plans of care shall reflect the significant changes in condition which require changes in the scope and timeliness of service delivery.

   (d) Home health aide and personal care assistant services shall be provided by the agency in accordance with the plan of care.

   1. The aide shall arrive and leave each day as scheduled by the agency.

   2. The same aide shall be assigned on a regular basis, with the intent of assuring continuity of care for the beneficiary, unless there are unusual documented circumstances, such as a difficult beneficiary/caregiver relationship, difficult location, or personal reasons of aide or beneficiary/caregiver.

   3. Services shall be within the scope of practice of personnel assigned.

   4. Appropriate training and orientation shall be provided by licensed personnel to assure the delivery of required services.

   5. The aide shall provide appropriate services as reflected in the plan of care and identified on the assignment sheet;

   6. Home care services shall be provided to the beneficiary to maintain the beneficiary's health or to facilitate treatment of an illness or injury.

   7. Registered nurse delegated tasks shall be provided by licensed practical nurses (LPN), certified nursing assistants (CNA), or certified home health aides (CHHA).

   (e) Physical therapy, occupational therapy or speech-language pathology services shall be provided as an integral part of a comprehensive medical program. Such rehabilitative services shall be provided through home visits for the purpose of attaining maximum reduction of physical or mental disability and restoration of the individual to the best functional level.

   1. The services shall be provided with the expectation, based on the assessment made by the physician of the beneficiary's rehabilitation potential, that the condition of the individual shall improve materially in a reasonable and generally predictable period of time, or that the services are necessary towards the establishment of a safe and effective maintenance program.

   2. The complexity of rehabilitative services is such that it can only be performed safely and effectively by a therapist. The services shall be consistent with the nature and severity of the illness or injury. The amount and frequency of these services shall be reasonable and necessary, and the duration of each visit shall be a minimum of 30 minutes.

   3. The services shall be specific and effective treatment for the beneficiary's condition and shall be provided in accordance with accepted standards of medical practice.

   4. For physical therapy standards, see N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.1(d)5ii(1)(E).

   (f) Visits of social service professionals are necessary to resolve social or emotional problems that are, or may be, an impediment to the effective treatment of the individual's medical condition or rate of recovery.
1. Medical social services shall be provided as ordered by the physician and furnished by the social worker.

2. Plan of care shall indicate the appropriate action taken to obtain the available community resources to assist in resolving the beneficiary's problems or to provide counseling services which are reasonable and necessary to treat the underlying social or emotional problems which are impeding the beneficiary's recovery.

3. The services shall be responsive to the problem and the frequency of the services shall be for a prescribed length of time.

(g) Visits of a dietitian or nutritionist shall be provided as needed to resolve nutritional problems which are or may be an impediment to the effective treatment of the beneficiary's medical condition or rate of recovery.

1. Nutritional services shall be provided as ordered by the physician and furnished by a dietitian or nutritionist in accordance with accepted standards of professional practice.

2. The plan of care shall indicate the nutritional care needs and the goals to meet those needs.

3. Services shall be provided to the beneficiary and/or the family/interested others involved with the beneficiary's nutritional care.

4. The services shall be specific and for a prescribed period of time.

5. The progress notes and care plan shall reflect significant changes or problems which require changes in the scope and timeliness of service delivery visits.

(h) The services shall be provided to the satisfaction of the beneficiary/caregiver.

1. There shall be documented evidence that the beneficiary/caregiver has participated in the development of the plan of care.

2. Identified problems shall be resolved between the agency and the beneficiary/caregiver, when possible.

3. The agency shall make appropriate referrals for unmet beneficiary needs.

4. The beneficiary/caregiver shall be promptly informed of changes in aides and/or schedules.

5. Beneficiaries/caregivers shall be aware of the agency name, telephone number, and contact person in the event of a problem.

(i) The home health agency shall be aware of the beneficiary's need for, and shall make the appropriate arrangements for, securing medical equipment, appliances and supplies, as follows:

1. The agency shall assist the beneficiary in obtaining equipment, appliances, and supplies when needed under Medicare and/or Medicaid or Medicare and/or NJ FamilyCare guidelines;

2. The agency shall monitor equipment, appliances and supplies to assure that all items are serviceable and used safely and effectively; and
3. The agency shall be responsible for contacting the provider for problems relating to the utilization of equipment, appliances and supplies.

(j) Recordkeeping shall be timely, accurate, complete and legible, in accordance with this chapter, and as follows:

1. There shall be a current aide assignment sheet for each beneficiary, available either in the home or at the agency, dated and signed by the nurse. The assignment shall be based on a nursing assessment of the beneficiary's needs and shall list the aide's duties as required in the plan or care;

2. The agency shall document significant changes in health and/or social status, including recent hospitalization, in the progress notes and make appropriate changes in the plan of care as needed;

3. Initial evaluations and progress notes shall be provided to the MACC upon request for all nursing services; and

4. Initial evaluations, progress notes and goals shall be provided to the MACC upon request for physical, occupational and speech-language therapies and social services.

History

HISTORY:


See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).

Recodified from 10:60-1.15 by R.1996 d.43, effective January 16, 1996.


Rewrote (a); in (b), inserted a reference to NJ KidCare fee-for-service; in (e)4, amended the N.J.A.C. reference; in (i)1, inserted "or Medicare and/or NJ KidCare" following "Medicare and/or Medicaid"; and substituted references to beneficiaries for references to recipients throughout. Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.8, Basis of payment for home health services, recodified to N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.5.


See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).

Substituted "DDS or DMAHS" for "the Division", "CMS" for "HCFA", "FamilyCare" for "KidCare", and "MACC" for "MDO" throughout; in the introductory paragraph of (a), substituted "MACCs" for "MDO's", "the date on which" for "when"; in (a)1, substituted "authorizing" for "prescribing", and inserted ", as necessary or appropriate, based on the service"; and in (a)4, substituted "DDS or DMAHS will" for "the Division shall", "DDS' or DMAHS'" for "the Division's" and "N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.10" for "N.J.A.C. 10:60-10".

Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.8

Rewrote (a); in the introductory paragraph of (d), substituted "Home" for "Homemaker-home"; and added (d)7.

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§ 10:60-1.9 On-site monitoring visits

(a) For an accredited health care service firm, home health agency, or hospice agency, on-site monitoring visits will be made periodically by DDS or DMAHS staff, or by staff of an accreditation organization, as approved by DMAHS, to the agency to review compliance with personnel, recordkeeping, and service delivery requirements using forms as approved by either Division. The results of such monitoring visits shall be reported to the agency, by DDS or DMAHS, or by staff of an accreditation organization, as approved by DMAHS, and when indicated, a plan of correction shall be required. Continued non-compliance with requirements shall result in such sanctions as curtailment of accepting new beneficiaries for services, suspension, or rescission of the agency's provider agreement.

1. The professional staff from the MACC will use the standards listed in this chapter to conduct a post-payment quality assurance review of home care services as provided to the Medicaid or NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service beneficiary.

(b) For a hospice agency, on-site monitoring visits shall be made periodically by DDS or DMAHS staff to the agency to review compliance with personnel, recordkeeping and service delivery requirements (Hospice Agency Review Summary Form, FD-351). The results of such monitoring visits shall be reported to the agency with a copy to the Medical Assistance Customer Center (MACC), and when indicated, a plan of correction shall be required. Continued non-compliance with requirements shall result in such sanctions as curtailment of accepting new beneficiaries for services, suspension or rescission of the agency's provider contract.

History

HISTORY:
See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).
Recodified from 10:60-1.16 by R.1996 d.43, effective January 16, 1996.
In (a), substituted "Division" for "Medicaid District Office" preceding "and when indicated,"; substituted references to beneficiaries for references to recipients throughout the section. Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.9, Out-of-State approved home health agencies, recodified to N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.4.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Substituted "DDS or DMAHS" for "Division" and "the Division" throughout; in (a), substituted "will" for "shall" following "visits" in the first sentence; and in (b), substituted "Medical Assistance Customer Center (MACC)" for "Medicaid District Office".
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Rewrote (a).
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§ 10:60-1.10 Provisions for fair hearings

Providers and Medicaid or NJ FamilyCare-Plan A beneficiaries can request fair hearings as set forth in the Administration chapter at N.J.A.C. 10:49-9.14. NJ FamilyCare-Plan B and C fee-for-service beneficiaries can utilize the grievance board as set forth in N.J.A.C. 10:49-9.

History

HISTORY:
See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).
Recodified from 10:60-1.17 by R.1996 d.43, effective January 16, 1996.
See: 30 N.J.R. 3198(a), 30 N.J.R. 4377(a).
Substituted a reference to beneficiaries for a reference to recipients.
Rewrote the section. Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.10, Personal care assistant services, repealed.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Substituted "FamilyCare" for "KidCare" two times.
**N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.11**

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§ 10:60-1.11 (Reserved)

**History**

**HISTORY:**


See: 32 New Jersey Register 3940(a), 33 New Jersey Register 66(a).
N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.12

§ 10:60-1.12 (Reserved)

History

HISTORY:
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§ 10:60-1.13 (Reserved)

History

HISTORY:
See: 32 New Jersey Register 3940(a), 33 New Jersey Register 66(a).
Section was "Eligibility for early and periodic screening and diagnosis and treatment/Private duty nursing services".

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§ 10:60-1.14 (Reserved)

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§ 10:60-1.15 (Reserved)

History

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§ 10:60-1.16 (Reserved)

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§ 10:60-1.17 (Reserved)

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§ 10:60-1.18 (Reserved)

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§ 10:60-2.1 Covered home health agency services

(a) Home health care services covered by the New Jersey Medicaid and NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service programs are limited to those services provided directly by a home health agency approved to participate in the New Jersey Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare program or through arrangement by that agency for other services.

1. Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare reimbursement is available for these services when provided to Medicaid or NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service beneficiaries in their place of residence, such as a private home, residential hotel, residential health care facility, rooming house and boarding home.

   i. In residential health care facilities, homemaker-home health aide or personal care assistant services are excluded from Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service coverage.

   ii. Home health services shall not be available to Medicaid or NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service beneficiaries in a hospital or nursing facility.

(b) Covered home health care services are those services provided according to medical, nursing and other health care related needs, as documented in the individual plan of care, on the basis of medical necessity and on the goals to be achieved and/or maintained.

(c) Home health care services shall be directed toward rehabilitation and/or restoration of the beneficiary to the optimal level of physical and/or mental functioning, self-care and independence, or directed toward maintaining the present level of functioning and preventing further deterioration, or directed toward providing supportive care in declining health situations.

(d) The types of home health agency services covered include professional nursing by a public health nurse, registered professional nurse, or licensed practical nurse; homemaker home health aide services; physical therapy; speech-language pathology services; occupational therapy; medical social services; nutritional services; certain medical supplies; and personal care assistant services, as defined in this section.

   1. The home health agency shall provide comprehensive nursing services under the direction of a public health nurse supervisor/director as defined by the New Jersey...
State Department of Health and Senior Services. These services shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

i. Participating in the development of the plan of care with other health care team members, which includes discharge planning;

ii. Identifying the nursing needs of the beneficiary through an initial assessment and periodic reassessment;

iii. Planning for management of the plan of care particularly as related to the coordination of other needed health care services;

iv. Skilled observing and monitoring of the beneficiary’s responses to care and treatment;

v. Teaching, supervising and consulting with the beneficiary and family and/or interested persons involved with his or her care in methods of meeting the nursing care needs in the home and community setting;

vi. Providing direct nursing care services and procedures including, but not limited to:

(1) Wound care/decubitus care and management;
(2) Enterostomal care and management;
(3) Parenteral medication administration; and
(4) Indwelling catheter care.

vii. Implementing restorative nursing care measures involving all body systems including, but not limited to:

(1) Maintaining good body alignment with proper positioning of bedfast/chairfast beneficiaries;
(2) Supervising and/or assisting with range of motion exercises;
(3) Developing the beneficiary’s independence in all activities of daily living by teaching self-care, including ambulation within the limits of the treatment plan; and
(4) Evaluating nutritional needs including hydration and skin integrity; observing for obesity and malnutrition;

viii. Teaching and assisting the beneficiary with practice in the use of prosthetic and orthotic devices and durable medical equipment as ordered;

ix. Providing the beneficiary and the family or interested persons support in dealing with the mental, emotional, behavioral, and social aspects of illness in the home;

x. Preparing nursing documentation including nursing assessment, nursing history, clinical nursing records and nursing progress notes; and

xi. Supervising and teaching other nursing service personnel.
2. Skilled nursing supervision of a home health aide, licensed practical nurse or personal care assistant shall be covered as an overhead administrative cost and shall not be billed as a separate unit of service.

3. If two health care workers are required to provide care and the second worker is not in a supervisory capacity, two or more units of service may be covered for the simultaneous care. If two health care workers are present, but only one is needed to provide the care, only the unit(s) of service for the one worker providing the care shall be covered.

4. Homemaker-home health aide services shall be performed by a New Jersey certified homemaker-home health aide, under the direction and supervision of a registered professional nurse. Services include personal care, health related tasks and household duties. In all areas of service, the homemaker-home health aide shall encourage the well members of the family, if any, to carry their share of responsibility for the care of the beneficiary in accordance with the written established professional plan of care.

   i. Household duties shall be considered covered services only when combined with personal care and other health services provided by the home health agency. Household duties may include such services as the care of the beneficiary’s room, personal laundry, shopping, meal planning and preparation. In contrast, personal care services may include assisting the beneficiary with grooming, bathing, toileting, eating, dressing, and ambulation. The determining factor for the provision of household duties shall be based upon the degree of functional disability of the beneficiary, as well as the need for physician prescribed personal care and other health services, and not solely the beneficiary’s medical diagnosis.

   ii. The registered professional nurse, in accordance with the physician’s plan of care, shall prepare written instructions for the homemaker-home health aide to include the amount and kind of supervision needed of the homemaker-home health aide, the specific needs of the beneficiary and the resources of the beneficiary, the family, and other interested persons. Supervision of the homemaker-home health aide in the home shall be provided by the registered professional nurse or appropriate professional staff member at a minimum of one visit every two weeks when in conjunction with skilled nursing, physical or occupational therapy or speech-language pathology services. In all other situations, supervision shall be provided at the frequency of one visit every 30 days. Supervision may be provided up to one visit every two months, if written justification is provided in the agency’s records.

   iii. The registered professional nurse, and other professional staff members, shall make visits to the beneficiary’s residence to observe, supervise and assist, when the homemaker-home health aide is present or when the aide is absent, to assess relationships between the home health aide and the family and beneficiary and determine whether goals are being met.

5. Special therapies include physical therapy, speech-language pathology services and occupational therapy. Special therapists/pathologists shall review the initial plan
of care and any change in the plan of care with the attending physician and the professional nursing staff of the home health agency. The attending physician shall be given an evaluation of the progress of therapies provided as well as the beneficiary's reaction to treatment and any change in the beneficiary's condition. The attending physician shall approve of any changes in the plan of care and delivery of therapy services.

i. The attending physician shall prescribe in writing the specific methods to be used by the therapist and the frequency of therapy services. "Physical therapy as needed" or a similarly worded blanket order by the attending physician is not acceptable.

ii. Special therapists shall provide instruction to the home health agency staff, the beneficiary, the family and/or interested persons in follow-up supportive procedures to be carried out between the intermittent services of the therapists to produce the optimal and desired results.

(1) When the agency provides or arranges for physical therapy services, they shall be provided by a licensed physical therapist. The duties of the physical therapist shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

   (A) Evaluating and identifying the beneficiary's physical therapy needs;

   (B) Developing long and short-term goals to meet the individualized needs of the beneficiary and a treatment plan to meet these goals. Physical therapy orders shall be related to the active treatment program designed by the attending physician to assist the beneficiary to his or her maximum level of function which has been lost or reduced by reason of illness or injury;

   (C) Observing and reporting to the attending physician the beneficiary's reaction to treatment, as well as, any changes in the beneficiary's condition;

   (D) Documenting clinical progress notes reflecting restorative procedures needed by the beneficiary, care provided and the beneficiary's response to therapy along with the notification and approval received from the physician; and

   (E) Physical therapy services which may include, but not be limited to, active and passive range of motion exercises, ambulation training, and training for the use of prosthetic and orthotic devices. Physical therapy does not include physical medicine procedures, administered directly by a physician or by a physical therapist which are purely palliative; for example, applications of heat in any form, massage, routine and/or group exercises, assistance in any activity or in the use of simple mechanical devices not requiring the special skill of a qualified physical therapist.

(2) When the agency provides or arranges for speech-language pathology services, the services shall be provided by a certified speech-language pathologist. The duties of a speech-language pathologist shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
(A) Evaluating, identifying, and correcting the individualized problems of the communication impaired beneficiary;

(B) Developing long and short-term goals and applying speech-language pathology service procedures to achieve identified goals;

(C) Coordinating activities with and providing assistance to a certified audiologist, when indicated;

(D) Observing and reporting to the attending physician the beneficiary's reaction to treatment, as well as, any changes in the beneficiary's condition; and

(E) Documenting clinical progress notes reflecting restorative procedures needed by the beneficiary, the care provided, and the beneficiary's response to therapy, along with the notification and approval received from the physician.

(3) The need for occupational therapy is not a qualifying criterion for initial entitlement to home health services benefits. However, if an individual has otherwise qualified for home health benefits, his or her eligibility for home health services may be continued solely because of his or her need for occupational therapy. Occupational therapy services shall include, but not be limited to, activities of daily living, use of adaptive equipment, and homemaking task oriented therapeutic activities. When the agency provides or arranges for occupational therapy services, the services shall be provided by a registered occupational therapist. The duties of an occupational therapist shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(A) Evaluating and identifying the beneficiary's occupational therapy needs;

(B) Developing long and short-term goals to meet the individualized needs of the beneficiary and a treatment plan to achieve these needs;

(C) Observing and reporting to the attending physician the beneficiary's reaction to treatment as well as any changes in the beneficiary's condition;

(D) Documenting clinical progress notes reflecting restorative procedures needed by the beneficiary, the care provided, and the beneficiary's response to therapy along with the notification and approval received from the physician; and

(E) Occupational therapy services shall include but not be limited to activities of daily living, use of adaptive equipment, and homemaking task oriented therapeutic activities.

6. When the agency provides or arranges for medical social services, the services shall be provided by a social worker, or by a social work assistant under the supervision of a social worker. These shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

i. Identifying the significant social and psychological factors related to the health problems of the beneficiary and reporting any changes to the home health agency;
ii. Participating in the development of the plan of care, including discharge planning, with other members of the home health agency;

iii. Counseling the beneficiary and family/interested persons in understanding and accepting the beneficiary's health care needs, especially the emotional implications of the illness;

iv. Coordinating the utilization of appropriate supportive community resources, including the provision of information and referral services; and

v. Preparing psychosocial histories and clinical notes.

7. When the agency provides or arranges for nutritional services, the services shall be provided by a registered dietitian or nutritionist. These services shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

i. Determining the priority of nutritional care needs and developing long and short-term goals to meet those needs;

ii. Evaluating the beneficiary's home situation, particularly the physical areas available for food storage and preparation;

iii. Evaluating the role of the family/interested persons in relation to the beneficiary's diet control requirements;

iv. Evaluating the beneficiary's nutritional needs as related to medical and socioeconomic status of the home and family resources;

v. Developing a dietary plan to meet the goals and implementing the plan of care;

vi. Instructing beneficiary, other home health agency personnel and family/interested persons in dietary and nutritional therapy; and

vii. Preparing clinical and dietary progress notes.

8. Medical supplies, other than drugs and biologicals, including, but not limited to, gauze, cotton bandages, surgical dressing, surgical gloves, ostomy supplies, and rubbing alcohol shall be normally supplied by the home health agency as needed to enable the agency to carry out the plan of care established by the attending physician and agency staff.

i. When a beneficiary requires more than one month of medical supplies, prior authorization for the supplies shall be requested and received from the Division. Requests for prior authorization of an unusual or an excessive amount of medical supplies provided by an approved medical supplier shall be accompanied by a personally signed, legible prescription from the attending physician. If a beneficiary is an enrollee of a private HMO, prior authorization shall be obtained from the private HMO.

ii. When a beneficiary requires home parenteral therapy, the home health agency shall arrange the therapy prescribed with a medical supplier specialized to provide such services.
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(1) Administration kits, supply kits and parenteral therapy pumps, not owned by the home health agency, shall be provided to the beneficiary and billed to the Medicaid or NJ FamilyCare program by the medical supplier.

(2) Provision of disposable parenteral therapy supplies which are required to properly administer prescribed therapy shall be the responsibility of the agency.

9. Personal care assistant services shall be as described in N.J.A.C. 10:60-3.

(e) Medical equipment is an item, article or apparatus which is used to serve a medical purpose, is not useful to a person in the absence of disease, illness or injury, and is capable of withstanding repeated use (durable). When durable medical equipment is essential in enabling the home health agency to carry out the plan of care for a beneficiary, a request for authorization for the equipment shall be made by an approved medical supplier. The request for authorization shall be submitted to DDS or DMAHS and shall include a personally signed, legible prescription from the attending physician, as well as a personally signed legible prescription from the HMO, if applicable. Durable medical equipment, either rented or owned by the home health agency, shall not be billed to the New Jersey Medicaid or NJ FamilyCare program, as applicable (see Medical Supplier Services Chapter, N.J.A.C. 10:59.

History

HISTORY:
See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).

Administrative Correction.
See: 26 N.J.R. 2285(a).

Amended by R.1996 d.43, effective January 16, 1996.

See: 30 N.J.R. 3198(a), 30 N.J.R. 4377(a).

In (d), inserted new 2 and 3, and recodified former 2 through 7 as 4 through 9.


In (a), inserted references to NJ KidCare fee-for-service throughout, and inserted a reference to NJ KidCare in the introductory paragraph; substituted references to beneficiaries for references to recipients throughout the section. Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.1, Community Care Program for the Elderly and Disabled (CCPED), recodified to N.J.A.C. 10:60-10.1(a) and (b).

See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Substituted "FamilyCare" for "KidCare" throughout; and in (e), substituted "DDS or DMAHS" for "the Division", and deleted "-1.5 through 1.7".
§ 10:60-2.2 Certification of need for home health services

(a) To qualify for payment of home health services by the New Jersey Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service program, the beneficiary's need for services shall be certified in writing to the home health agency by the attending physician/practitioner. The nurse or therapist shall immediately record and sign verbal orders and obtain the physician's/practitioner's counter signature, within 30 days of the date of the order.

(b) Except as provided in (b)1 below, home health services shall not be provided or reimbursed, except when provided in accordance with all of the certification and face-to-face encounter provisions of Sections 6407(a) and (d), 3108 and 10605 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, 111 Pub.L. 148, as amended and supplemented, incorporated herein by reference, 42 U.S.C. § 1395n, incorporated herein by reference, and 42 CFR 424.22(a) and (b), incorporated herein by reference.

1. Telehealth technology may be used to provide the face-to-face encounter required under (b) above.

2. The "face-to-face encounter" between an authorized physician/practitioner and a NJ Medicaid/FamilyCare beneficiary for the initial certification for the provision of home care services must occur no more than 90 days prior to the date home care is started or within 30 days of the start of home care, including the date of the encounter.

   i. Recertification of the need for home care services shall be done at least every 60 days and must be signed and dated by the physician/practitioner who reviews the plan of care. A face-to-face encounter is not required for recertification.

3. An authorized physician/practitioner must provide the home care provider the date, time, and location of the "face-to-face encounter" and his or her signature confirming that the encounter was conducted.

4. Home care providers are required to maintain proof of a "face-to-face encounter" including the date, time, location, and signature of the authorizing physician/practitioner. Such documentation may be subject to review by the New Jersey Department of Human Services or its authorized agent.
5. Failure to comply with the "face-to-face encounter" and documentation requirements in (b) and (b)2, 3, and 4 above, may result in the recoupment of Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare payments for home care services.

(c) For beneficiaries who are enrolled in managed care, all home health services must be determined to be medically necessary and prior authorized by the MCO before services are rendered.

History

HISTORY:
See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).
See: 30 N.J.R. 3198(a), 30 N.J.R. 4377(a).
Inserted a reference to NJ KidCare fee-for-service and substituted a reference to beneficiaries for a reference to recipients in the first sentence.
Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.2, Eligibility requirements for CCPED, recodified to N.J.A.C. 10:60-10.1(c) through (g).
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Section was "Certification of need for services". Substituted "FamilyCare" for "KidCare".
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
Rewrote the section.

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§ 10:60-2.3 Plan of care

(a) The plan of care shall be developed by agency personnel in cooperation with the attending physician, and be approved by the attending physician. It shall include, but not be limited to, medical, nursing, and social care information. The plan shall be re-evaluated by the nursing staff at least every 60 days and revised as necessary, appropriate to the beneficiary’s condition. The following shall be part of the plan of care:

1. The beneficiary’s major and minor impairments and diagnoses;
2. A summary of case history, including medical, nursing, and social data;
3. The period covered by the plan;
4. The number and nature of service visits to be provided by the home health agency;
5. Additional health related services supplied by other providers;
6. A copy of physician’s orders and their updates;
7. Medications, treatments and personnel involved;
8. Equipment and supplies required;
9. Goals, long and short-term;
10. Preventive, restorative, maintenance techniques to be provided, including the amount, frequency and duration;
11. The beneficiary’s, family’s, and interested persons involvement (for example, teaching); and
12. Discharge planning in all areas of care (coordinated with short and long-term goals);

i. As a significant part of the plan of care, a beneficiary’s potential for improvement shall be periodically reviewed and appropriately revised. These revisions shall reflect changes in the medical, nursing, social and emotional needs of the beneficiary, with attention to the economic factors when considering alternative methods of meeting these needs.
ii. Discharge planning shall take the beneficiary’s preferences into account when changing the intensity of care in his or her residence, arranging services with other community agencies, and transferring to or from home health providers. Discharge planning also provides for the transfer of appropriate information about the beneficiary by the referring home health agency to the new providers to ensure continuity of health care.

(b) The plan of care shall include beneficiary's needs, make a nursing diagnosis, develop a nursing plan of care, provide nursing services and coordinate other therapeutic services to implement the approved medical and nursing plan of care.

(c) The plan of care shall include an assessment of the beneficiary's acceptance of his or her illness and beneficiary’s receptivity to home health care services.

(d) The plan of care shall include a determination of the beneficiary’s psycho-social needs in relation to the utilization of other community resources.

(e) The plan of care shall include a description of social services, when provided by the social worker, and be reviewed, with any referrals required to meet the needs of the beneficiary.

History

HISTORY:


See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).


Substituted references to beneficiaries for references to recipients throughout. Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.3, Services available under CCPED, recodified to N.J.A.C. 10:60-10.1(h) through (k).

Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.


Rewrote the introductory paragraph of (a).
§ 10:60-2.4 Clinical records

(a) Clinical records containing pertinent past and current information, recorded according to accepted professional standards, shall be maintained by the home health agency for each beneficiary receiving home health care services. The clinical record shall include, at a minimum, the following:

1. A plan of care as described in N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.3;
2. Appropriate identifying information;
3. The name, address and telephone number of beneficiary's physician;
4. Clinical notes by nurses, social workers, and special therapists, which shall be written, signed and dated on the day each service is provided;
5. Clinical notes to evaluate a beneficiary's response to service on a regular, periodic basis, which shall be written, signed and dated by each discipline providing services;
6. Summary reports of pertinent factors from the clinical notes of the nurses, social workers, and special therapists providing services, which shall be submitted to the attending physician at least every two months; and
7. When applicable, transfer of the beneficiary to alternative health care, which shall include transfer of appropriate information from the beneficiary's record.

History

HISTORY:
See: 25 New Jersey Register 2803(a), 26 New Jersey Register 364(c).
See: 32 New Jersey Register 3940(a), 33 New Jersey Register 66(a).
In (a)1, amended the N.J.A.C. reference; substituted references to beneficiaries for references to recipients throughout the section. Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.4, Procedures used as financial controls for CCPED, repealed.

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**§ 10:60-2.5 Basis of payment for home health services**

(a) Effective for services rendered on or after January 1, 1999, home health agencies shall be reimbursed the lesser of reasonable and customary charges or the service-specific unit rates described in this subsection. The following are the service-specific Statewide unit rates by each service:

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(b) Effective January 1, 2000, and thereafter, the reimbursement rates shall be the service-specific Statewide per unit rates found in (a) above, incrementally adjusted each January 1, beginning on January 1, 2000, using Standard and Poor’s DRI Home Health Market Basket Index, published in the New Jersey Register as a notice of administrative change, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 1:30-2.7, and posted on the DMAHS' fiscal agent's website https://www.njmmis.com under "Rate and Code Information". Home health agencies shall maintain both unit and visit statistics for all services provided to Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service beneficiaries.

(c) Effective January 1, 1999, home health agencies shall bill the Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare fiscal agent as follows:

1. The unit of service shall be a 15 minute interval of a skilled nursing visit, a home health aide visit, a speech therapy visit, a physical therapy visit, an occupational therapy visit, or a medical social service visit, as defined in N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.4(d). A home health agency shall not bill when a Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service beneficiary is not home or cannot be found, and hands-on medical care was not provided;
2. The service-specific Statewide rate shall be billed for each full 15 minute interval of face-to-face service in which hands-on medical care was provided to a Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service beneficiary;

i. For instance, one unit of service shall be billed for services provided from the initial minute through 29 minutes. The second unit of service shall be billed for services provided from 30 minutes through 44 minutes. The third unit of service shall be billed for services provided from 45 minutes to 59 minutes and the fourth unit of service shall be billed for services provided from 60 minutes through 74 minutes;

3. Items including, but not limited to, nursing supervision, travel time, paperwork, and telephone contact at the home are included in the service-specific Statewide rate and, therefore, the time associated with these items is not billed directly;

4. A separate line shall be billed for each day the service is provided. A home health agency shall not "span bill" for services;

5. Routine supplies shall be considered visit overhead costs and billed as part of a unit of service. Non-routine supplies shall be billed using Revenue Code 270 on the institutional claim form and HCPCS codes in accordance with N.J.A.C. 10:59-2;

6. A home health agency shall only bill the revenue codes listed in (a) above and Revenue Code 270. No other revenue codes will be reimbursed for home health services.

(d) Home health agencies shall submit a cost report for each fiscal year to the Director, Office of Reimbursement, Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, PO Box 712, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0712 or the Director's designee. The cost report shall be legible and complete in order to be considered acceptable.

1. Cost reports and audited financial statements shall be due on or before the last day of the fifth month following the close of the period covered by the report.

2. A 30-day extension of the due date of a cost report may be granted by the Division for "good cause." "Good cause" means a valid reason or justifiable purpose; it is one that supplies a substantial reason, affords a legal excuse for delay, or is the result of an intervening action beyond one's control. Acts of omission and/or negligence by the home health agency, its employees, or its agents, shall not constitute "good cause."

3. To be granted the extension in (d)2 above, the provider shall submit a written request to, and obtain written approval from, the Director, Office of Reimbursement, Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, PO Box 712, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0712 or the Director's designee, at least 30 days before the due date of the cost report.

4. If a provider's agreement to participate in the Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service program terminates or the provider experiences a change of ownership, the cost report is due no later than 45 days following the effective date of the termination of the provider agreement or change of ownership. An extension of the cost report
due date cannot be granted when the provider agreement is terminated or a change in ownership occurs.

5. Failure to submit an acceptable cost report on a timely basis may result in suspension of payments. Payments for claims received on or after the date of suspension may be withheld until an acceptable cost report is received.

(e) Medicare/Medicaid and Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare third-party claims for home health services provided that are not the responsibility of a Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare managed care organization shall be reimbursed in accordance with N.J.A.C. 10:49-7.3 and the provisions of this chapter.

(f) When Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare is not the primary payer on a home health services claim, payment by Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare will be made at the lesser of:

1. The Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare allowed amount minus any other payment(s); or
2. The beneficiary liability, including denied charges, deductible, co-insurance, copayment, and non-covered charges.

(g) In no event will a Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare payment for home health services exceed the total charge amount submitted on the claim.

(h) The State will perform a post-payment review of home health claims for beneficiaries eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid (dual eligibles) when Part A benefits exhaust during home health services. Based on the post-payment review, the Division will determine whether paying the beneficiary’s liability for the home health services will result in a lower cost to the Division. If paying the beneficiary’s liability results in a lower cost to the Division, the provider will be notified and the excess provider payments will be recouped by the Division.

1. Where benefits have been exhausted under Medicare Part A, the charges to be billed to the Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare Program must be itemized for the Medicare Part A non-covered services in order to determine the liability of Medicare Part B and other third-party payers.

(i) If prior authorization is required for Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare program purposes, it shall be obtained and shall be submitted with the institutional claim form.

History

HISTORY:
See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).
See: 30 N.J.R. 3198(a), 30 N.J.R. 4377(a).
Rewrote the section.
Administrative change.
See: 32 N.J.R. 809(a).
Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.5, Basis for home health agency reimbursement and cost reporting (CCPED), repealed.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Section was "Basis of payment of home health services". Substituted "FamilyCare" for "KidCare" throughout; in (e), substituted "DMAHS" for "the Division"; in the address in (e)2ii, substituted "Financial Support" for "Provider Rate Setting" and "#23" for "#43"; and in (h), substituted "Office of Financial Support" for "Administrative and Financial Services" and "#23" for "#43".
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
Rewrote the section.
§ 10:60-2.6 Limitations on home health agency services

(a) When the cost of home care services is equal to or in excess of the cost of institutional care over a protracted period (that is, six months or more), the Division retains the right to limit or deny the provision of home care services on a prospective basis.

(b) For limitations on Personal Care Assistant (PCA) services see N.J.A.C. 10:60-3.8.

History

HISTORY:
Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.6, Basis for homemaker agency reimbursement (CCPED), repealed.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Section was "Limitations of home health agency services".
N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.7

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§ 10:60-2.7 (Reserved)

History

HISTORY:
See: 32 New Jersey Register 3940(a), 33 New Jersey Register 66(a).
Section was "Model Waiver Programs".

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§ 10:60-2.8 (Reserved)

History

HISTORY:
See: 32 New Jersey Register 3940(a), 33 New Jersey Register 66(a).
Section was “Eligibility requirements for Model Waivers”.

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§ 10:60-2.9 (Reserved)

History

HISTORY:


See: 32 New Jersey Register 3940(a), 33 New Jersey Register 66(a).

Section was "Services included under the Model Waiver programs".

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§ 10:60-2.10 (Reserved)

History

HISTORY:
See: 32 New Jersey Register 3940(a), 33 New Jersey Register 66(a).
Section was "Basis for reimbursement for Model Waiver services".

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§ 10:60-2.11 (Reserved)

History

HISTORY:

See: 32 New Jersey Register 3940(a), 33 New Jersey Register 66(a).

Section was "Procedures used as financial controls".

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§ 10:60-2.12 (Reserved)

History

HISTORY:
See: 32 New Jersey Register 3940(a), 33 New Jersey Register 66(a).
Section was "AIDS Community Care Alternatives Program (ACCAP)".

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§ 10:60-2.13 (Reserved)

History

HISTORY:
See: 32 New Jersey Register 3940(a), 33 New Jersey Register 66(a).
Section was "Application process for ACCAP".
N.J.A.C. 10:60-2.14

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§ 10:60-2.14 (Reserved)

History

HISTORY:
See: 32 New Jersey Register 3940(a), 33 New Jersey Register 66(a).
Section was "Eligibility criteria".

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§ 10:60-2.15 (Reserved)

History

HISTORY:
See: 32 New Jersey Register 3940(a), 33 New Jersey Register 66(a).
Section was “ACCAP services”.

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History

HISTORY:
See: 32 New Jersey Register 3940(a), 33 New Jersey Register 66(a).
Section was "Basis for reimbursement for ACCAP services".
N.J.A.C. 10:60-3.1

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§ 10:60-3.1 Purpose and scope

(a) Personal care assistant services shall be provided by a certified licensed home health agency, a certified hospice agency or by a health care service firm that is accredited, initially, and on an on-going basis, by an accrediting body approved by DMAHS.

(b) Personal care assistant services include health related tasks associated with the cueing, supervision, and/or completion of the activities of daily living (ADL), as well as instrumental activities of daily living (IADL) related tasks performed by a qualified individual in a beneficiary's place of residence or place of employment, or at a post-secondary educational or training program, under the supervision of a registered professional nurse, certified as medically necessary by a physician or advanced practice nurse in accordance with a written plan of care. These services are available from a home health agency, hospice agency, or a health care services firm. The purpose of personal care assistant services is to accommodate long-term chronic or maintenance health care, as opposed to short-term skilled care required for some acute illnesses.

1. Personal care assistant services are those services described at N.J.A.C. 10:60-3.3(a)1.

2. Instrumental activities of daily living are those activities described at N.J.A.C. 10:60-3.3(b).

3. Health related tasks are those services described at N.J.A.C. 10:60-3.3(a)3.

4. A qualified individual is a person who is a personal care assistant, as the term is defined at N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.2.

(c) In order to qualify for PCA services, beneficiaries must be in need of moderate, or greater, hands-on assistance in at least one activity of daily living (ADL), or, minimal assistance or greater in three different ADLs, one of which must require hands-on assistance.

1. Assistance with IADLs, such as meal preparation, laundry, housekeeping/cleaning, shopping, or other non-hands-on personal care tasks shall not be permitted as a stand-alone PCA service.

2. When a beneficiary lives with a legally responsible relative, the LRR is expected to provide assistance with non-hands-on IADL care tasks that benefit the household as a
whole, such as household/cleaning of shared living spaces, laundry of common use items, shopping for items to be shared among household members, such as cleaning supplies or food for shared meals, and meal preparation.

**History**

**HISTORY:**
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).

In (b), substituted "include personal care, household duties and" for "are", deleted designation "1.", and inserted "assistant services"; and added (b)1 through (b)4.

Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.

Rewrote the section.
N.J.A.C. 10:60-3.2

Basis for reimbursement for personal care assistant services

(a) Personal care assistant services shall be reimbursable when provided to Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare beneficiaries in their place of residence or place of employment, or at a post-secondary educational or training program. The term "place of residence" shall include, but is not limited to:

1. A private home;
2. A rooming house;
3. A boarding home (not Class C);
4. A Child Protection and Permanency resource family home;
5. A Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) group home, skill development home, supervised apartment, or other congregate living program where personal care assistance is not provided as part of the service package which is included in the beneficiary's living arrangement; or
6. Temporary emergency housing arrangements including, but not limited to, a hotel or shelter.

History

HISTORY:
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Rewrote (a)5.
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
Rewrote the section.
§ 10:60-3.3 Covered personal care assistant services

(a) Hands-on personal care assistant services are described as follows:

1. Activities of daily living (ADL) shall be performed by a personal care assistant, and include, but are not limited to:

   i. Care of the teeth and mouth;
   
   ii. Grooming, such as care of hair, including shampooing, shaving, and the ordinary care of nails if the need for such assistance is due to the beneficiary's upper extremities or motor skills being affected by a disability, or whose level of cognitive disability requires such assistance regardless of mobility level of the upper extremities;
   
   iii. Bathing in bed, in the tub or shower;
   
   iv. Using the toilet or bed pan;
   
   v. Changing bed linens with the beneficiary in bed;
   
   vi. Ambulation indoors and outdoors, when appropriate;
   
   vii. Helping the beneficiary in moving from bed to chair or wheelchair, in and out of tub or shower;
   
   viii. Assistance with eating, including, but not limited to, placing food and/or liquids into mouth, and assistance with swallowing difficulties;
   
   ix. Dressing; and
   
   x. Accompanying the beneficiary, for the purpose of providing personal care assistance services, to clinics, physician office visits, and/or other trips made for the purpose of obtaining medical diagnosis or treatment or to otherwise serve a therapeutic purpose.

(b) Instrumental activities of daily living (IADL) services are non-hands-on personal care assistant services that are essential to the beneficiary's health and comfort and shall include, but are not limited to:
1. Care of the beneficiary’s room and areas used by the beneficiary, including sweeping, vacuuming, dusting;

2. Care of kitchen, including maintaining general cleanliness of refrigerator, stove, sink and floor, dishwashing;

3. Care of bathroom used by the beneficiary, including maintaining cleanliness of toilet, tub, shower, sink, and floor;

4. Care of beneficiary’s personal laundry and bed linen, which may include necessary ironing and mending;

5. Necessary bed-making and changing of bed linen;

6. Re-arranging of furniture to enable the beneficiary to move about more easily in his or her room;

7. Listing food and household supplies needed for the health and maintenance of the beneficiary;

8. Shopping for above supplies, conveniently storing and arranging supplies, and doing other essential errands;

9. Planning, preparing (including special therapeutic diets for the beneficiary), and serving meals; and

10. Relearning household skills.

(c) Health related activities, performed by a personal care assistant, shall be limited to:

1. Helping and monitoring beneficiary with prescribed exercises which the beneficiary and the personal care assistant have been taught by appropriate personnel;

2. Rubbing the beneficiary’s back if not contraindicated by physician;

3. Assisting with medications that can be self-administered;

4. Assisting the beneficiary with use of special equipment, such as walker, braces, crutches, wheelchair, after thorough demonstration by a registered professional nurse or physical therapist, with return demonstration until registered professional nurse or physical therapist is satisfied that beneficiary can use equipment safely;

5. Assisting the beneficiary with simple procedures as an extension of physical or occupational therapy, or speech-language pathology services; and

6. Nurse delegated tasks approved by the supervising registered professional nurse.

**History**

**HISTORY:**

Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.


Rewrote the section.
§ 10:60-3.4 Certification of need for personal care assistant services

(a) To qualify for payment of personal care assistant services by the New Jersey Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service program, the beneficiary’s need for services shall be certified in writing to the health care services firm by a physician or advance practice nurse (APN) as medically necessary, at the time of initial application for services and annually thereafter for recertification. The nurse shall immediately record and sign verbal orders and obtain the physician's/APN's counter signature within 30 days.

(b) The certification of need for services must be on file in the beneficiary record at the service provider agency before the home health aide begins providing services for the beneficiary. For those cases that originate while a beneficiary is enrolled in a New Jersey Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare managed care plan, the managed care plan authorization is based on medical necessity and shall serve as the certification of medical necessity for personal care assistant services. Services provided during a period where a beneficiary temporarily loses managed care eligibility, but is expected to reenroll the following month, shall be provided fee-for-service until the beneficiary is reenrolled in his or her managed care plan as a continuation of services without the need to obtain any additional certification.

(c) The physician's certification as described in (a) above must confirm that the home care assistance for the beneficiary is medically necessary. Such certification may be contained in a physician/practitioner's order, a prior authorization by a Medical Director in a managed care plan, a prescription, or documentation in the beneficiary Plan of Care (POC).

(d) A recertification of the beneficiary's need for services may be required more frequently in the event of a change in the disability status of the beneficiary enrolled in the PCA program.

(e) For fee-for-service beneficiaries, a recertification of the beneficiary’s need for services shall be required in situations in which a certification was obtained from the beneficiary's attending physician/practitioner, and the beneficiary changes his or her physician/practitioner. Managed care plans can recertify the continued need for PCA services through continued prior authorization of services.

(f) For fee-for-service beneficiaries, if a beneficiary is approved to transfer his or her PCA services to another provider agency pursuant to N.J.A.C. 10:60-3.10, the new agency is responsible to obtain a new physician/practitioner’s certification.
HISTORY:
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Section was "Certification of need for services". Substituted "FamilyCare" for "KidCare".
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
Rewrote the section.
§ 10:60-3.5 Duties of the registered professional nurse

(a) The duties of the registered professional nurse in the PCA program are as follows:

1. The registered professional nurse, in accordance with the physician's certification of need for care, shall perform an assessment and prepare a plan of care for the personal care assistant to implement. The assessment and plan of care shall be completed at the start of service. However, in no case shall the nursing assessment and plan of care be done more than 48 hours after the start of service. The plan of care shall include the tasks assigned to meet the specific needs of the beneficiary, hours of service needed, and shall take into consideration the beneficiary's strengths, the needs of the family and other interested persons. The plan of care shall be dated and signed by the personal care assistant and the registered nurse and shall include short-term and long-term nursing goals. The personal care assistant shall review the plan, in conjunction with the registered professional nurse.

2. Direct supervision of the personal care assistant shall be provided by a registered nurse at a minimum of one visit every 60 days, initiated within 48 hours of the start of service, at the beneficiary's place of residence during the personal care assistant's assigned time. The purpose of the supervision is to evaluate the personal care assistant's performance, to determine that the plan of care has been properly implemented, and to document that hands-on personal care is being provided. At this time, appropriate revisions to the plan of care shall be made as needed. Additional supervisory visits shall be made as the situation warrants, such as a new PCA, nurse delegation, or in response to the physical or other needs of the beneficiary. In situations in which multiple personal care assistants are assigned to a case, the in-home supervisory visits shall be rotated until all staff have been assessed during each covered shift. All shift visits must be performed to allow face-to-face supervision of the aide being assessed.

3. A personal care assistant nursing reassessment visit shall be provided at least once every 12 months or more frequently if the beneficiary's condition warrants, to reevaluate the beneficiary's need for continued personal care assistance services. When a case is initiated under fee-for-service, the provider agency nurse shall complete the State-approved PCA Assessment tool at the time of the visit. When a
beneficiary is enrolled in a Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare managed care plan, completing the State-approved PCA Assessment tool and subsequent authorization of hours shall be the responsibility of the managed care plan.

History

HISTORY:
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
Rewrote (a)2 and (a)3.
§ 10:60-3.6 Clinical records

(a) Recordkeeping for personal care assistant services shall include the following:

1. Clinical records and reports shall be maintained for each beneficiary, covering the medical, nursing, social and health related care in accordance with accepted professional standards. Such information shall be readily available, as required, to representatives of the Division or its agents.

2. Clinical records shall contain, at a minimum:
   
i. An initial nursing assessment;
   
ii. A six-month nursing reassessment;
   
iii. A beneficiary-specific plan of care;
   
iv. Signed and dated progress notes describing the beneficiary's condition;
   
v. Documentation of the supervision provided to the personal care assistant every 60 days;
   
vi. A personal care assistant assignment sheet signed and dated weekly by the personal care assistant;
   
vii. Documentation that the beneficiary has been informed of rights to make decisions concerning his or her medical care;
   
viii. Documentation of the formulation of an advance directive; and
   
ix. Documentation of approved nurse delegated tasks and documentation of training on performance of those tasks.

3. All clinical records shall be signed and dated by the registered professional nurse, in accordance with accepted professional standards, and shall include documentation described in (a)2 above.
HISTORY:
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
In (a)2vii, deleted "and" from the end; in (a)2viii, inserted "; and"; and added (a)2ix.

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§ 10:60-3.7 Basis of payment for personal care assistant services

(a) Personal care assistant services shall be reimbursed on a per unit, fee-for-service basis for weekday, weekend, and holiday services. Nursing assessment and reassessment visits under this program shall be reimbursed on a per visit, fee-for-service basis.

(b) Personal care assistant services reimbursement rates (see N.J.A.C. 10:60-11) are all inclusive maximum allowable rates. No direct or indirect cost over and above the established rates may be considered for reimbursement. At all times the provider shall reflect its standard charge on the CMS 1500 Claim Form (see Fiscal Agent Billing Supplement, Appendix A, incorporated herein by reference) even though the actual payment may be different. A provider shall not charge the New Jersey Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare programs in excess of current charges to other payers.

(c) For reimbursement purposes only, a weekend means a Saturday or Sunday; a holiday means an observed agency holiday which is also recognized as a Federal or State holiday.

History

HISTORY:
See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).
In (b), changed N.J.A.C. reference, changed form reference, and inserted a reference to NJ KidCare.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
In (b), substituted "CMS" for "HCFA", and "FamilyCare" for "KidCare".
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
In (a), substituted "unit" for "hour", and inserted a comma following "weekend".
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§ 10:60-3.8 Limitations on personal care assistant services

(a) Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare reimbursement shall not be made for personal care assistant services provided to Medicaid or NJ FamilyCare-Plan A beneficiaries in the following settings:

1. A residential health care facility;
2. A Class C boarding home;
3. A hospital;
4. A nursing facility;
5. DDD group homes, skill development homes, supervised apartments or other congregate living programs where personal care assistance is provided as part of a service package which is included in the living arrangement;
6. Adult day health care and pediatric day health care centers;
7. TBI community residential service facilities; and
8. Adult Family Care, Assisted Living Program, and Assisted Living Residence.

(b) Except as specified under the personal preference program, personal care assistant services provided by a family member shall not be considered covered services and shall not be reimbursed by the New Jersey Medicaid or NJ FamilyCare-Plan B and C programs. No exceptions will be granted for legally responsible relatives (that is, a spouse, or a parent of a minor child). Exceptions for other family members or relatives to provide personal care assistant services may be granted on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of the Director of the Division of Disability Services, if requested by the PCA provider agency. Such exceptions may be granted only with valid justification regarding the need for the service and documentation of the unavailability of another PCA. Renewal of approved exceptions shall be requested annually, accompanied by valid justification and documentation of the beneficiary's circumstances. Exceptions and renewals shall be based on the individual circumstances of the beneficiary and in all cases shall require the PCA to be:

1. A currently certified homemaker/home health aide;
2. An employee of the home health agency requesting the exception; and
3. Directly supervised by a registered nurse employed by the PCA provider agency.

(c) Personal care assistance services shall not be approved or authorized when the purpose of the request is to provide:

1. Respite care;
2. Supervision, as a stand-alone service, regardless of age of the beneficiary;
3. Companionship;
4. Child care or baby sitting;
5. Routine parenting tasks and/or teaching of parenting skills;
6. Services to individuals with mental health service needs, which are provided by the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services.
7. Services to beneficiaries with a medical diagnosis that does not indicate functional limitations (for example, high cholesterol);
8. Services to beneficiaries with acute short-term diagnosis (for example, a fracture) that is expected to heal;
9. Services to beneficiaries that are limited to non-hands-on personal care needs as described in N.J.A.C. 10:60-3.3(b) and (c).

(d) Personal care assistant services shall not be reimbursed if the personal care assistant resides in the beneficiary's home, except as provided in (b) above and N.J.A.C. 10:60-3.9.

(e) Personal care assistant services provided in places of employment shall not replace or duplicate those employer-provided services or accommodations mandated by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, P.L. 101-336, 42 U.S.C. § 12111. Tasks that are considered part of a beneficiary's job duties such as, reading business/office correspondence, organizing files and answering telephones shall not be reimbursable personal care assistant services.

(f) Personal care assistant services in educational settings shall not replace or duplicate those services mandated by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. §§ 1400 et seq., and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. § 794. Tasks that are required for the beneficiary to obtain access to educational or classroom learning materials, such as note taking, shall not be reimbursable personal care assistant services.

(g) Personal care assistant services shall be limited to a maximum of 40 hours per calendar work week and shall be prior authorized in accordance with N.J.A.C. 10:60-3.9. Additional hours of service may be approved by the Division of Disability Services (DDS) or DMAHS on a case-by-case basis, based on exceptional circumstances.

(h) Personal care assistant services authorized for two or more beneficiaries living in the same residence shall require a combination of individual personal care services to address hands-on care needs and group hours to address the non-personal care needs (that is, meal preparation, shopping, laundry, housekeeping) for billing purposes.
(i) PCA units of service that are unused for any reason including, but not limited to, illness of the beneficiary or home health aide, or hospitalization of the beneficiary or aide, are not permitted to be saved and carried over for use on a subsequent date(s).

History

HISTORY:
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Section was "Limitations of personal care assistant services". Rewrote (a) and (b); deleted former (c); and added present (c) through (g).
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Rewrote the section.

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§ 10:60-3.9 Prior authorization for personal care assistant (PCA) services

(a) All personal care assistant (PCA) services shall be prior authorized, regardless of the number of hours requested per week.

(b) Prior approval for PCA services shall be obtained in accordance with the following procedures:

1. For fee-for-service cases, a registered nurse employed by the PCA provider agency shall complete a face-to-face evaluation of the beneficiary, at the beneficiary's home, and shall complete the State-approved PCA Assessment form, including information regarding the beneficiary's:
   i. Supportive service/living environment needs;
   ii. Cognitive/mental status;
   iii. Ambulation/mobility;
   iv. Ability to transfer (for example, from wheelchair to bed);
   v. Ability to feed himself or herself;
   vi. Ability to bathe himself or herself;
   vii. Ability to toilet himself or herself;
   viii. Ability to perform grooming and dressing tasks;
   ix. Ability to perform housekeeping and shopping tasks; and
   x. Ability to perform laundry tasks.

2. The provider agency shall total the numerical elements related to the need areas in (b) 1 above;

3. The provider agency shall submit the State-approved PCA Assessment form, in electronic or paper format, and the prior authorization request form (FD-365) to the Division of Disability Services; and
4. Upon completion of the review of a prior authorization request, Division of Disability Services staff shall make a determination regarding the hours of PCA services to be authorized.

(c) Failure to comply with the prior authorization requirements shall result in denial of Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare reimbursement and recoupment of funds for any services provided without documented prior authorization.

History

HISTORY:
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
Rewrote the introductory paragraph of (b)1; in (b)1ix, inserted "housekeeping and"; in (b)3, inserted "State-approved", and deleted "(FD-410)" following the first occurrence of "form"; and in (c), substituted "Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare" for "Medicaid".
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§ 10:60-3.10 Transfer of beneficiary to a different service agency provider

(a) Beneficiaries may be approved for a transfer of service agency provider for good cause situations, including, but not limited to:

1. The current provider agency is unable to staff the case at the level of care approved by the Division; that is, staffing shortages, staffing cases with multiple home health aides when it is determined to be inappropriate;

2. The current provider agency is unable to staff the case due to a beneficiary change of residence; or

3. The current provider agency is unable to staff the case due to language or cultural barrier.

(b) Beneficiaries shall be awarded the same level of services previously approved upon approval of a transfer pursuant to (a) above until the completion of a recertification by the new provider agency.

(c) If a beneficiary is approved to transfer his or her PCA services to another provider agency, an entirely new physician's certification process is required of the new provider. A physician certification is not transferable from one provider agency to another.

History

HISTORY:
§ 10:60-5.1 Purpose and scope

(a) Private duty nursing (PDN) services shall be provided by a licensed certified home health agency, licensed hospice agency or an accredited healthcare services firm approved by DMAHS. The healthcare services firm shall be accredited, initially and on an ongoing basis, by an accreditation organization approved by the Department.

1. A healthcare services firm shall contract with an accreditation organization to complete a comprehensive on-site organizational audit a minimum of once every three years.

(b) The purpose of private duty nursing services is to provide individual and continuous nursing care, as different from part-time intermittent care, to beneficiaries who exhibit a severity of illness that requires complex skilled nursing interventions on a continuous ongoing basis. PDN services are provided by licensed nurses in the home to beneficiaries receiving managed long-term support services (MLTSS), as well as eligible EPSDT beneficiaries.

(c) Private duty nursing services exceed normal parental and/or familial responsibilities; therefore, family members of beneficiaries who are receiving PDN services, who are licensed as an RN or an LPN in the State of New Jersey, may be employed by the agency authorized to provide PDN services to the beneficiary, up to eight hours per day, 40 hours per week. The family member of the beneficiary may not serve as the supervising RN responsible for developing the treatment plan for the beneficiary. The agency employing the family member is responsible to ensure that the PDN services are properly provided and meet all agency standards and regulatory requirements.

HISTORY:
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
In (a), substituted "DMAHS" for "the Division" and added the last sentence; and in (b) substituted "Community Resources for People with Disabilities (CRPD)" for "Model Waiver 3".

Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.


Rewrote the section.
§ 10:60-5.2 Basis for reimbursement for EPSDT/PDN

(a) To be considered for EPSDT/PDN services, the beneficiary shall be under 21 years of age, enrolled in the Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare program and referred by a parent, primary physician, hospital discharge planner, Special Child Health Services case manager, Division of Disability Services (DDS), Child Protection and Permanency (CP&P), Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS), or current PDN provider. Requests for services shall be submitted to the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS) using a "Request for EPSDT Private Duty Nursing Services (FD-389)" form, incorporated herein by reference (see N.J.A.C. 10:60 Appendix C). The Request shall be completed and signed by the referring physician and agreed to and signed by a parent or guardian. All sections of the Request shall be completed and a current comprehensive medical history and current treatment plan, completed by the referring physician, shall be attached. The comprehensive medical history, current treatment plan and other documents submitted with the request shall reflect the current medical status of the beneficiary and shall document the need for ongoing (not intermittent) complex skilled nursing interventions by a licensed nurse. Incomplete requests shall be returned to the referral source for completion prior to further action by DMAHS.

(b) Upon receipt of the fully completed Request (FD-389), a DMAHS Regional Staff Nurse shall conduct an assessment of the need for PDN services, as well as the level (LPN or RN) and amount of service required. A letter notifying the family and the person who referred the individual of the decision following the assessment shall be issued by DMAHS. When the child is found to be eligible for EPSDT/PDN services, the number of hours approved, the level of services, and the length of time of the approval (up to a maximum of six months) shall be noted.

(c) The PDN provider agency, selected by the family, shall submit a request to DMAHS for the PDN services on the "Prior Authorization Request Form (FD-365)" which contains a pre-printed prior authorization (PA) number. Telephone requests for prior authorization (PA) can be accommodated in an emergency but shall be followed immediately by a written request.

(d) Requests for continuation, or modification of PDN services during the treatment period, shall be submitted by the PDN agency, in writing, to DMAHS on the "Prior Authorization Request Form (FD-365)". In an emergency, requests for modification of services may be
made by telephone but shall be followed immediately by a written prior authorization (PA) request.

History

HISTORY:
See: 34 N.J.R. 2705(a), 35 N.J.R. 1279(a).
Rewrote the section. Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.2, Clinical records and personnel files, recodified to N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.6.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Substituted "DMAHS" for "the Division" throughout; rewrote (a); and in (b), substituted "a DMAHS" for "the Division's" in (b).
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
Rewrote (a).
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§ 10:60-5.3 Eligibility for Early and Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment/Private Duty Nursing (PDN) Services

(a) Individuals under 21 years of age who are enrolled in the Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare programs, and who require private duty nursing services, which will allow them to be cared for in a community setting, may be referred for EPSDT/PDN services.

1. Individuals eligible for Medicaid services through the Medically Needy program are not eligible for EPSDT services, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 10:49-5.3(a).

2. For individuals who are enrolled in Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare managed care, private duty nursing is authorized and provided by the MCO.

(b) An individual must exhibit a severity of illness that requires complex skilled nursing interventions on an ongoing basis, to be considered in need of EPSDT/PDN services.

1. "Ongoing" means that the beneficiary needs skilled nursing intervention 24 hours per day/seven days per week.

2. "Complexity" means the degree of difficulty and/or intensity of treatment/procedures.

3. "Skilled nursing interventions" means procedures that require the knowledge and experience of licensed nursing personnel, or a trained primary caregiver.

(c) EPSDT/PDN services are only appropriate when the following requirements are satisfied:

1. There is a capable adult primary caregiver residing with the individual who accepts ongoing 24-hour responsibility for the health and welfare of the beneficiary;

2. The adult primary caregiver agrees to be trained or has been trained in the care of the beneficiary and agrees to receive additional training for new procedures and treatments, if directed to do so by a State agency; and

3. The home environment can accommodate the required equipment and licensed PDN personnel.

History
HISTORY:
See: 34 N.J.R. 2705(a), 35 N.J.R. 1279(a).
Rewrote the section.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Added new (c)2, recodified former (c)2 and (c)3 as present (c)3 and (c)4; in present (c)3 substituted "during every" for "in any".
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
In the introductory paragraph of (a), deleted "FFS" following "FamilyCare"; in (a)2, substituted "Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare" for "Medicaid" and "MCO" for "HMO"; in (c)2, substituted "beneficiary" for "individual", and inserted "and" at the end; deleted former (c)3; and recodified (c)4 as (c)3.

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§ 10:60-5.4 Limitation, duration, and location of EPSDT/PDN

(a) The following requirements shall apply to EPSDT/ PDN services:

1. Private duty nursing shall be provided for eligible FFS beneficiaries in the community only and not in hospital inpatient or nursing facility settings.

2. DMAHS shall determine and approve the total PDN hours for reimbursement, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.2(b).

3. The determination of the total EPSDT/PDN hours approved shall take into account the primary caretaker’s ability to provide care, as well as alternative sources of PDN care available to the caregiver, such as medical day care or a school program.

4. In emergency situations, for example, when the sole caregiver has been hospitalized, DMAHS may authorize, for a limited time, additional hours beyond the authorized amount.

5. DMAHS may also approve, for a limited time, additional hours when a change in the child’s medical condition requires additional training for the primary caregiver to address changes in the care needs of the beneficiary.

(b) Medical necessity for EPSDT/PDN services shall be based upon, but may not be limited to, the following criteria in (b)1 or 2 below:

1. A requirement for all of the following medical interventions:
   i. Dependence on mechanical ventilation;
   ii. The presence of an active tracheostomy; and
   iii. The need for deep suctioning; or

2. A requirement for any of the following medical interventions:
   i. The need for around-the-clock nebulizer treatments, with chest physiotherapy;
   ii. Gastrostomy feeding when complicated by frequent regurgitation and/or aspiration; or
iii. A seizure disorder manifested by frequent prolonged seizures, requiring emergency administration of anti-convulsants.

(c) The following situational criteria shall be considered, once medical necessity has been established in accordance with (b) above, when determining the extent of the need for EPSDT/PDN services and the authorized hours of service:

1. Available primary care provider support.
   i. Determining the level of support should take into account any additional work related or sibling care responsibilities, as well as increased physical or mental demands related to the care of the beneficiary;
2. Additional adult care support within the household; and
3. Alternative sources of nursing care.

(d) Services that shall not, in and of themselves, constitute a need for PDN services, in the absence of the skilled nursing interventions listed in (b) above, shall include, but shall not be limited to:

1. Patient observation, monitoring, recording or assessment;
2. Occasional suctioning;
3. Gastrostomy feedings, unless complicated as described in (b)1 above; and
4. Seizure disorders controlled with medication and/or seizure disorders manifested by frequent minor seizures not occurring in clusters or associated with status epilepticus.

(e) Private duty nursing shall be a covered service only for those beneficiaries covered under EPSDT/PDN.

(f) Private duty nursing services shall not include respite or supervision, or serve as a substitution for routine parenting tasks.

(g) In the event that two Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare beneficiaries are receiving PDN services in the same household, the family may elect to have one nurse provide services for both children. The agency providing the nursing services shall document that having one nurse does not pose a health risk to either beneficiary in the plan of care which shall be signed by the physician. At no time shall a nurse provide care for more than two beneficiaries at the same time in a single household.

History

HISTORY:
See: 34 N.J.R. 2705(a), 35 N.J.R. 1279(a).
Rewrote the section.
Amended by R.2004 d.92, effective March 1, 2004.
See: 35 N.J.R. 4424(a), 36 N.J.R. 1206(b).
In (a), amended the N.J.A.C. reference in 2 and inserted "PDN" preceding "care available to the caregiver" in 3.


See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).

Substituted "DMAHS" for "the Division" throughout; in (a)2, substituted a period for a semi-colon; in (a)4, substituted "16-hour" for "16 hour"; in (b)1, inserted "of"; and rewrote (f).

Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.


Section was "Limitation, duration and location of EPSDT/PDN". Rewrote the section.
§ 10:60-5.5 Determination of medical necessity for EPSDT/PDN Services

(a) An initial on-site nursing assessment is necessary in order to review the complexity of the child's care. A hands-on examination of the child is not included in the assessment. The nursing assessment shall include an hour-by-hour inventory of all care-related activities over a 24-hour period, which accurately describes the child's current care. The assessment shall be completed by a nurse employed by a licensed certified home health agency, an accredited healthcare services firm, or licensed hospice agency approved by DMAHS.

(b) The assessor shall describe the specific elements of care, and the individual who rendered the service. Frequency of skilled nursing interventions shall be noted, for example, indicating whether suctioning is occasional, or frequently required or regularly scheduled with chest PT, such as twice a day or every six hours.

(c) Activities that constitute skilled nursing interventions shall be identified by the assessor, separate from non-skilled nursing activities. The presence and intensity of skilled nursing interventions shall determine whether EPSDT/PDN hours should be authorized.

(d) The presence or absence of alternative care, such as medical day care, private duty nursing services provided by private insurance, or private duty nursing services provided by the child's school, shall be identified and recorded, and those hours shall be deducted from the total hours of EPSDT/PDN services to be authorized in accordance with N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.4.

(e) If EPSDT/PDN hours are authorized, the assessor shall indicate the duration of the prior authorization (PA) period (not to exceed six months) and the time frame for reassessment.

(f) A nursing reassessment shall be conducted by the nurse assessor prior to the end of the PDN authorization period, in accordance with the following:

1. The reassessment will be conducted in the beneficiary's home, in order to determine the on-going medical necessity of EPSDT/PDN services, and shall include a 24-hour inventory of needed services.

2. The nurse assessor shall utilize the reports from the provider agency for documentation of specific functions performed by the provider agency nurse(s).
3. Any changes in the child’s status or circumstances, including the frequency and type of interventions required, shall be noted. These changes shall be clearly identified in the reassessment summary, and shall be used to support any decision to continue, reduce or increase PDN hours.

History

HISTORY:

See: 34 N.J.R. 2705(a), 35 N.J.R. 1279(a).

Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.5, Basis for reimbursement for EPSDT/PDN, recodified to N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.2.
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.

Section was "Nursing assessment for the determination of medical necessity for EPSDT/PDN Services". Rewrote (a), in (b), (c), and (e), deleted "nurse" preceding "assessor"; in (b), deleted "(EPSDT/PDN)" following "occasional"; and in (d), inserted ", private duty nursing services provided by private insurance, or private duty".

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§ 10:60-5.6 Clinical records and personnel files

(a) An individual clinical record shall be maintained for each beneficiary receiving private duty nursing service. The record shall address the physical, emotional, nutritional, environmental and social needs according to accepted professional standards.

(b) Clinical records maintained at the agency shall contain at a minimum the following:

1. A referral source;
2. Diagnoses;
3. A physician’s treatment plan and renewal of treatment plan every 90 days;
4. Interim physician orders as necessary for medications and/or treatment;
5. An initial nursing assessment by a registered nurse within 48 hours of initiation of services;
6. A six-month nursing reassessment;
7. A nursing care plan;
8. Signed and dated progress notes describing beneficiary’s condition; and
9. Evidence that beneficiary was given information regarding advance directives.

(c) Direct supervision of the private duty nurse shall be provided by a registered nurse. Direct supervision of the clinical case shall be completed every 30 days at the beneficiary’s home during the private duty nurse’s assigned time. Additional supervisory visits shall be made as the situation warrants.

1. The visit to provide direct in-home supervision must occur during a nurse’s scheduled shift to allow face-to-face supervision for that individual.
2. The direct in-home supervision shall be rotated among each private duty nurse until each staff member has been assessed.
3. The direct in-home supervision shall consist of a review of all documentation from each nurse assigned to the case, as well as a review of any concerns raised by the beneficiary or primary caretaker.
4. Concerns involving staff not present during the on-site visit shall be addressed with that staff member before they provide any care.

5. If required, follow-up interventions with the assessed staff may be by telephone or provided off-site.

(d) Clinical records maintained in the beneficiary’s home by the private duty nurse shall contain at a minimum the following:

1. Diagnoses;
2. A physician treatment plan and interim orders;
3. A copy of the initial nursing assessment and six month reassessment;
4. A nursing care plan;
5. Signed and dated current nurse’s notes describing the beneficiary’s condition and documentation of all care rendered; and
6. A record of medication administered.

(e) Personnel files shall be maintained for all private duty registered nurses and licensed practical nurses and shall contain at a minimum the following:

1. A completed application for employment;
2. Evidence of a personal interview;
3. Evidence of a current license to practice nursing;
4. Satisfactory employment references;
5. Evidence of a physical examination; and

(f) On-site monitoring visits shall be made periodically by DMAHS staff, or a designated agency as approved by DHS, to the private duty nursing agency to review compliance with personnel, recordkeeping, and service delivery requirements.

History

HISTORY:
See: 34 N.J.R. 2705(a), 35 N.J.R. 1279(a).
Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.6, Payment for EPSDT/PDN, recodified to N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.7.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Substituted "DMAHS" for "Division" in (f).
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
Rewrote (c); and in (f), inserted ", or a designated agency as approved by DHS," , and inserted a comma following "recordkeeping".
§ 10:60-5.7 Payment for EPSDT/PDN

(a) Claims for payment for PDN services shall be submitted on the CMS 1500 Claim Form. The PA number shall be noted on the claim form. Providers shall bill each date of service on a separate line (FIELD 24A) of the claim form. If more than one procedure code is billed for the same date of service, separate lines shall be used when billing each procedure code. Providers shall not span dates of service on a line of the claim form.

1. Private duty nursing provider charges may vary but reimbursement cannot exceed the maximum rates allowed by the DMAHS in accordance with N.J.A.C. 10:60-11.2(e).

(b) EPSDT/PDN providers shall submit to DMAHS, with each prior authorization request, comprehensive clinical summaries reflecting beneficiaries' medical status and need for ongoing services. DMAHS staff shall review the submitted clinical data and may conduct on-site home visits before reauthorizing PDN services. In addition, DMAHS staff shall perform Home Care Quality Assurance Reviews of these individuals. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 10:60-1.9, DMAHS shall continue on-site monitoring of private duty nursing agencies to review compliance with this chapter.

History

HISTORY:
See: 34 N.J.R. 2705(a), 35 N.J.R. 1279(a).
Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.7, Eligibility for home and community-based services waiver/private duty nursing (PDN) services, recodified to N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.8.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Substituted "DMAHS" for "Division" and "the Division" throughout; and in (a), substituted "CMS" for "HCFA".
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
In (b), substituted "with each prior authorization request," for "every two months".
§ 10:60-5.8 Eligibility for managed long-term supports and services (MLTSS)/private duty nursing (PDN) services

(a) MLTSS/private duty nursing is available only to a beneficiary who meets nursing facility level of care criteria (see N.J.A.C. 10:60-6.2), is based on medical necessity, and is prior approved by the NJ FamilyCare MCO in a plan of care prepared by a MLTSS care manager. Private duty nursing is individual, continuous nursing care in the home, and is a service available to a beneficiary only after enrollment in MLTSS.

(b) MLTSS/PDN services are only appropriate when the following requirements are satisfied:

1. An individual must exhibit a severity of illness that requires complex skilled nursing interventions on a continuous ongoing basis.
   
   i. "Ongoing" means that the beneficiary requires the provision of skilled nursing intervention on an ongoing basis, up to 24 hours per day/seven days per week.
   
   ii. "Complex" means the degree of difficulty and/or intensity of treatment/procedures.
   
   iii. "Skilled nursing interventions" means procedures that require the knowledge and experience of licensed nursing personnel, or a trained primary caregiver.

2. There must be a capable adult primary caregiver residing with the individual who accepts ongoing 24-hour responsibility for the health and welfare of the beneficiary;

3. The adult primary caregiver must agree to be trained, or have been trained, in the care of the individual and must agree to receive additional training for new procedures and treatments if directed to do so by a State agency;

4. The adult primary caregiver must agree to provide a minimum of eight hours of care to the individual during every 24-hour period; and

5. The home environment must accommodate the required equipment and licensed PDN personnel.
HISTORY:
See: 34 N.J.R. 2705(a), 35 N.J.R. 1279(a).
Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.8, Limitation, duration and location of home and community-based services waiver/private duty nursing (waiver/ PDN) services, recodified to N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.9.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Substituted "DMAHS/DDS/DDD" for "the Division" and "Community Resources for People with Disabilities (CRPD)" for "Model Waiver 3".
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
Section was "Eligibility for home and community-based services waiver/private duty nursing (PDN) services". Rewrote the section.
§ 10:60-5.9 Limitation, duration, and location of MLTSS/PDN services

(a) MLTSS/PDN services shall be provided in the community only and not in an inpatient hospital or nursing facility setting. Services shall be provided by a registered nurse (RN) or a licensed practical nurse (LPN).

1. Private duty nursing services rendered during hours when the beneficiary’s normal life activities take him or her outside the home will be reimbursed. If a beneficiary seeks to obtain MLTSS/PDN services to attend school or other activities outside the home, but does not need such services in the home, there is no basis for authorizing MLTSS/PDN services. Only those MLTSS/PDN beneficiaries who require, and are authorized by the MCO and the MLTSS care manager to receive, private duty nursing services in the home may utilize the approved hours outside the home during those hours when normal life activities take the beneficiary out of the home.

2. Due to safety concerns, the nurse shall not be authorized to engage in non-medical activities while accompanying the client, including the operation of a motor vehicle.

(b) Private duty nursing shall be a covered service only for those beneficiaries enrolled in MLTSS. Under MLTSS, when payment for private duty nursing services is being provided or paid for by another source (that is, insurance), MLTSS shall supplement payment up to a maximum of 16 hours per 24-hour period. The hours approved shall supplement alternative sources of PDN care available, such as medical day care or a school program, including services provided or paid for by the other sources or other insurance available to the beneficiary; shall be medically necessary; and, shall comply with the annual cost threshold.

(c) Private duty nursing services shall be limited to a maximum of 16 hours, including services provided or paid for by other sources, in a 24-hour period, per person in MLTSS. There shall be a live-in primary adult caregiver who accepts 24-hour per day responsibility for the health and welfare of the beneficiary unless the sole purpose of the private duty nursing is the administration of IV therapy.

1. The MLTSS care manager or DMAHS shall conduct an assessment to determine the need for MLTSS/PDN services, the required provider skill level (LPN or RN), and the amount of service required. The number of hours approved and the skill level of
services shall be noted in the individual's service plan and be reviewed by the care manager and/or designated DMAHS staff person every six months.

2. The adult primary caregiver must be trained in the care of the individual and agree to meet the beneficiary's skilled needs during a minimum of eight hours of care to the individual during every 24-hour period.

3. In emergency circumstances, for example, when the sole caregiver has been hospitalized or brief post-hospital periods while the caregiver(s) adjust(s) to the new responsibilities of caring for the discharged beneficiary, the MCO or DMAHS may authorize, for a limited time, additional hours beyond the 16-hour limit.

(d) Medical necessity for MLTSS/PDN services shall be based upon the following criteria:

1. A requirement for all of the following medical interventions:
   i. Dependence on mechanical ventilation;
   ii. The presence of an active tracheostomy; and
   iii. The need for deep suctioning; or

2. A requirement for any of the following medical interventions:
   i. The need for around-the-clock nebulizer treatments, with chest physiotherapy;
   ii. Gastrostomy feeding when complicated by frequent regurgitation and/or aspiration;
   iii. A seizure disorder manifested by frequent prolonged seizures, requiring emergency administration of anti-convulsants; or
   iv. The need for other skilled nursing interventions on an ongoing basis.

(e) Medical interventions that shall not, in and of themselves, constitute a need for MLTSS/PDN services, in the absence of the skilled nursing interventions listed in (d) above, shall include, but shall not be limited to:

1. Beneficiary observation, monitoring, recording, or assessment;
2. Occasional suctioning;
3. Gastrostomy feedings, unless complicated as described in (d)2ii above; and
4. Seizure disorders controlled with medication and/or seizure disorders manifested by frequent minor seizures not occurring in clusters or associated with status epilepticus.

(f) The following situational criteria shall be considered, once medical necessity has been established in accordance with (d) above, when determining the extent of the need for MLTSS/PDN services in addition to the primary caregiver(s) eight-hour responsibility and the authorized hours of service:

1. Available primary care provider support.
   i. Determining the level of support should take into account any additional work related or dependent(s) care responsibilities, as well as increased physical or mental demands related to the care of the individual;
2. Additional adult care support within the household; and
3. Alternative sources of nursing care.

(g) In the event that two Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare MLTSS beneficiaries are receiving PDN services in the same household, the beneficiary or legal guardian may elect to have one nurse provide services for both beneficiaries. The agency providing the nursing services shall document that having one nurse does not pose a health risk to either beneficiary in the plan of care, which shall be signed by the physician. At no time, shall a nurse provide care for more than two beneficiaries at the same time in a single household.

History

HISTORY:
See: 34 N.J.R. 2705(a), 35 N.J.R. 1279(a).
Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.9, Basis for reimbursement for home and community-based services waiver/PDN, recodified to N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.10.
Amended by R.2004 d.92, effective March 1, 2004.
See: 35 N.J.R. 4424(a), 36 N.J.R. 1206(b).
Rewrote (a); in (b) and (c), substituted references to CRPD/PDN for references to Model Waiver 3.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
In (a)1, substituted "DMAHS/DDD/DDS" for "the Division"; and in (b), substituted "Community Resources for People with Disabilities (CRPD)," for the first occurrence of "CRPD/PDN", "CRPD," for the second occurrence of "CRPD/PDN" and "DDS or DMAHS" for "the Division" and inserted "or paid for" following "provided" two times; and in (c), inserted "including services provided or paid for by other sources" and substituted "CRPD," for "CRPD/PDN".
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
Section was "Limitation, duration and location of home and services waiver/private duty nursing (waiver/PDN)". Rewrote the section.
N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.10

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§ 10:60-5.10 Basis for reimbursement for MLTSS/PDN services

(a) A provider of private duty nursing services shall be reimbursed by the New Jersey Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare program on a fee-for-service basis for services provided as authorized by the individual's service plan prepared by the waiver case manager. Providers shall be precluded from receiving additional reimbursement for the cost of these services above the fee established by the Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare program.

1. All costs associated with the provision of private duty nursing services by home health agencies shall be included in the routine Medicare/Medicaid cost-reporting mechanism.

(b) The CMS 1500 Claim Form is used when billing for private duty nursing services.

1. The provider at all times shall reflect its standard charges on the CMS 1500 Claim Form even though the actual payment may be different.

(c) Home health services are billed on the institutional claim form (see Fiscal Agent Billing Supplement).

(d) See N.J.A.C. 10:60-11 for codes to be used when submitting claims for waiver/private duty nursing services.

History

HISTORY:

See: 34 N.J.R. 2705(a), 35 N.J.R. 1279(a).

Former N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.10, Prior authorization of home and community-based services waiver/PDN, recodified to N.J.A.C. 10:60-5.11.


See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).

Substituted "CMS" for "HCFA" throughout.
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.


Section was "Basis for reimbursement for home and community-based services waiver/PDN". Rewrote the introductory paragraph of (a); and in (c), substituted "institutional claim" for "UB-92 CMS-1450".

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§ 10:60-5.11 Prior authorization of MLTSS/PDN services

(a) There is no 24-hour coverage except for a limited period of time under the following emergency circumstances and when prior authorized by the MCO:

1. For brief post-hospital periods while the caregiver(s) adjust(s) to the new responsibilities of caring for the discharged beneficiary; or

2. In emergency situations such as the illness of the caregiver when private duty nursing is currently being provided. In these situations, more than 16 hours of private duty nursing services may be provided for a limited period until other arrangements are made for the safety and care of the beneficiary.

History

HISTORY:
See: 34 N.J.R. 2705(a), 35 N.J.R. 1279(a).
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Substituted "Office" for "Bureau" in (a).
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
Section was "Prior authorization of home and community-based services waiver/PDN". In the introductory paragraph of (a), substituted "MCO" for "Office of Home and Community Services".
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§ 10:60-6.1 Managed long-term services and supports (MLTSS)

(a) Managed long-term services and supports (MLTSS) under the New Jersey 1115 Comprehensive Medicaid Waiver expands existing managed care programs to include managed long-term care services and supports and expands home and community-based services. The purpose of MLTSS is to increase the availability and utilization of home and community-based services for seniors and individuals with disabilities, allowing them to remain at home in the community instead of living in a nursing facility.

(b) The beneficiary's annual long-term services and support cost cannot exceed the annual cost threshold, unless he or she is granted an exception due to temporary higher care needs or long-term complex medical needs, as identified in the interdisciplinary team process.
§ 10:60-6.2 Eligibility for MLTSS

(a) Individuals qualify for MLTSS by meeting established Medicaid financial requirements and Medicaid clinical and age and/or disability requirements for nursing facility services contained in N.J.A.C. 10:69, 70, 71, or 72.

1. For children who meet the nursing home level of care, and who are applying for MLTSS, there is no deeming of parental income or resources in the determination of eligibility.

2. Once qualified to receive MLTSS, the individual must be enrolled with a managed care organization (MCO) in order to receive MLTSS services. Limited MLTSS services may be authorized by DMAHS after the individual has been determined clinically eligible for MLTSS and prior to enrollment into the MCO.

(b) Individuals who were enrolled in the Home and Community-Based Waiver programs listed below with an enrollment date of on or before July 1, 2014, were automatically transferred into MLTSS through their managed care organization (MCO).

1. Global Options (GO);
2. Community Resources for People with Disabilities (CRPD);
3. Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI); and
4. AIDS Community Care Alternatives Program (ACCAP).

(c) Participation in managed long-term services and supports is voluntary. Individuals receiving MLTSS are required to receive care management services including, but not limited to, outreach and face-to-face visits. Failure to cooperate with care management services may result in removal from the MLTSS benefit package. Individuals who have been removed from the MLTSS benefit package may file an appeal of the removal in accordance with N.J.A.C. 10:49-10.
N.J.A.C. 10:60-7

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§ 10:60-11.1 Introduction

(a) The New Jersey Medicaid and NJ FamilyCare programs adopted the Federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services’ (CMS) Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System codes for 2006, established and maintained by CMS in accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, of 1996, 42 U.S.C. §§ 1320d et seq., and incorporated herein by reference, as amended and supplemented, and published by PMIC, 4727 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 300, Los Angeles, CA 90010. Revisions to the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System made by CMS (code additions, code deletions and replacement codes) will be reflected in this chapter through publication of a notice of administrative change in the New Jersey Register. Revisions to existing reimbursement amounts specified by the Department and specification of new reimbursement amounts for new codes will be made by rulemaking in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq. The HCPCS codes as listed in this Subchapter are relevant to certain Medicaid and NJ FamilyCare Home Care services.

(b) These codes are used when requesting reimbursement for certain Home Care services and when a CMS 1500 Claim Form is required.

History

HISTORY:
See: 32 New Jersey Register 3940(a), 33 New Jersey Register 66(a).
In (a), inserted references to NJ KidCare throughout; and in (b), changed form reference.
See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Rewrote (a); and in (b), substituted "CMS" for "HCFA".
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§ 10:60-11.2 HCPCS codes and maximum reimbursement rates

(a) PERSONAL CARE ASSISTANT SERVICES

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(b) HCPCS CODES FOR EARLY AND PERIODIC SCREENING, DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT/PRIVATE DUTY NURSING:

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History

HISTORY:

See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).
Amended by R.1996 d.43, effective January 16, 1996.
In (a), added "Maximum Rate" column to HCPCS Code table
In (a), inserted a reference to NJ KidCare--Plan A in the heading, and increased Maximum Rates for HCPCS Codes Z1600 and Z1611.

Rewrote the section.

See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).
Rewrote section.

Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.
Section was "HCPCS Codes". Rewrote the section.
FISCAL AGENT BILLING SUPPLEMENT

AGENCY NOTE: The Fiscal Agent Billing Supplement is appended as a part of this chapter/manual but is not reproduced in the New Jersey Administrative Code. When revisions are made to the Fiscal Agent Billing Supplement, replacement pages will be distributed to providers and copies will be filed with the Office of Administrative Law.

The Fiscal Agent Billing Supplement is available on the website of the New Jersey Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare fiscal agent: www.njmmis.com

If you do not have internet access and would like to request a copy of the Fiscal Agent Billing Supplement, write to:

    Molina Medicaid Systems
    PO Box 4801
    Trenton, New Jersey 08650-4801

or contact:

    Office of Administrative Law
    Quakerbridge Plaza, Building 9
    PO Box 049
    Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0049

History

HISTORY:
Former Appendices A through H repealed by R.1994 d.41, effective January 18, 1994.
See: 25 N.J.R. 2803(a), 26 N.J.R. 364(c).
Amended by R.2018 d.172, effective September 17, 2018.

Inserted "The Fiscal Agent Billing Supplement is available on the website of the New Jersey Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare fiscal agent: www.njmmis.com", and substituted "If you do not have internet access and would like to request" for "For" and "Molina Medicaid Systems" for "Unisys Corporation".
### APPENDIX B

#### RANCHO SCALE

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<td>I</td>
<td>No response</td>
<td>Patient is completely unresponsive to any stimulus.</td>
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<td>II</td>
<td>Generalized response</td>
<td>Patient reacts to the environment, but not as a specific response to the stimulus--responses are often the same despite change of stimuli. The earliest response is often gross movement to deep pain.</td>
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<td>III</td>
<td>Localized response</td>
<td>Patient reacts in a specific manner to the stimulus, but may inconsistently turn head to sound, withdraw an extremity to pain, squeeze fingers placed in the hand, or respond to family members more than others.</td>
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<td>IV</td>
<td>Confused, agitated</td>
<td>Patient is in a heightened state of activity, but is still severely detached from the surroundings. Internal confusion and very limited ability to learn is combined with short attention span and easy fatigue. The patient is unable to cooperate and may be aggressive, combative, or incoherent.</td>
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V Confused, inappropriate/nonagitated

Patient appears alert and is able to respond to simple commands. Responses are best with familiar routines, people, and structured situations. Distractibility and short attention span lead to difficulty learning new tasks and agitation in response to frustrations. If physically mobile, there may be wandering. Much external structure is needed. Initiation and memory are limited.

VI Confused, appropriate

Patient shows goal-directed behavior, but still is dependent on external structure and direction. Simple directions are followed consistently and there is carry-over of relearned skills (like dressing), yet new learning progresses very slowly with little carry-over. Orientation is better and there is no longer inappropriate wandering.

VII Automatic, appropriate

Patient appears appropriate and oriented with familiar settings such as home and hospital, but is confused and often helpless in unfamiliar surroundings. The daily routine can be managed with minimal confusion as long as there are no changes. There is little recall of what has just been done. There is only a superficial understanding of the disability, with lack of insight into the significance of the remaining deficits. Judgment is impaired with inability to plan ahead. New learning is slow and minimal supervision is needed. Driving is unsafe; supervision is needed for safety in the community or in school and workshop settings.
VIII  Purposeful, appropriate  

Patient may not function as well as before the injury, but is able to function independently in home and community skills, including driving. Alert, oriented, and able to integrate past and present events. Vocational rehabilitation is indicated. Difficulties dealing with stressful or unexpected situations can arise, as there may be a decrease in abstract reasoning, judgment, intellectual ability, and tolerance of stress relative to premorbid capabilities.
APPENDIX C

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History

HISTORY:


See: 38 N.J.R. 1136(a), 38 N.J.R. 2810(a).

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