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Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)

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PACE

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What is PACE?

Purpose:

- **PACE is an innovative model that provides a range of integrated, preventive, acute care and long-term care services to manage the often complex medical, functional, and social needs of the elderly**
- **PACE was created as a way to provide Medicaid beneficiaries, family caregivers and professional health care providers the flexibility to meet a person's health care needs while continuing to live safely in the community**
- **PACE provides services through a pre-paid, capitated, comprehensive health care plan**



What is PACE?

Benefits:

- **PACE provides a comprehensive array of medical and social services at the PACE center and in the home.**
- **PACE IDT reviews and arranges for all Medicaid covered services that may be required by each participant**
- **PACE uses an interdisciplinary team to manage care and services for each participant**
- **The PACE program arranges, manages and pays for all care referred to community providers, including hospital services, nursing facility care, emergency room services, physician visits and ancillary services.**



To be eligible for PACE an individual must:

- Be age 55 or over
- Meet the state's nursing home level of care criteria
- Be able to live safely in the community at the time of enrollment; and
- Live in an approved PACE Service Area
- To receive coverage under Medicaid or Medicare/Medicaid, an individual must be financially eligible to receive Long-term Medicaid Services. Long-term Medicaid Services are determined by the individual's local Department of Social Services.



Why Elect PACE

- Enhance the quality of life and autonomy for frail older adults
- Maximize dignity and respect for older adults
- Enable frail, older adults to live in their homes and in the community as long as medically and socially feasible
- Preserve and support the older adults family unit/caregiver
- Reduce stress for caregiver and provide resources



PACE Enrollment

PACE collaborates with local DSS staff to:

- **Determine Medicaid eligibility**
- **Educate potentially eligible individuals and their family about PACE as a service option under Medicaid**
- **Enroll participants in the PACE program on the 1st day of the calendar month following the date the PACE organization receives a signed enrollment agreement**



PACE Enrollment

- **Enrollment in the PACE program is voluntary**
- **Home visits and center visits are conducted with each individual to determine eligibility and a comprehensive assessment is required prior to enrollment**
- **If an individual elects PACE, an enrollment agreement is signed**



PACE Services

PACE provides All-Inclusive Care and PACE participants receive the following services:

- **Primary care clinic**
- **Adult Day Health**
- **Therapeutic recreation**
- **Restorative physical and occupational therapies and socialization**
- **In-Home Care and Personal care**
- **Nutritional services**
- **Social Services/Social Work**
- **Medical Specialty Services**
- **Emergency Services**
- **Transportation**
- **Long-Term Care Services**



Care Planning

PACE uses an Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) to case manage all the services provided or arranged by the PACE program for each participant.

The PACE program IDT consist of the following members:

- **Primary Care Physician**
- **Registered Nurse**
- **Masters Level Social Worker**
- **Physical Therapist**
- **Occupational Therapist**
- **Dietitian**
- **Recreational Therapist or Activity Coordinator**
- **PACE Center Manager**
- **Home Care Coordinator**
- **Personal Care Attendant or CNA**
- **Transportation Driver**



PACE Organizations in NC

- **There are eleven PACE organizations in North Carolina that comprises of twelve PACE sites.**
- **In NC, only public and not-for-profit organizations are operating PACE programs. For-profit organizations were approved by CMS in June 2015.**



PACE Organizations in NC

- Elderhaus, Inc.- 2222 South 17th Street, Wilmington, NC 28401
www.elderhaus.com – (910) 343-2809
- Piedmont Health SeniorCare at Burlington, 1214 Vaughn Road, Burlington, NC 27217 www.piedmonthhealthseniorcare.org - (336) 532-0000
- Piedmont Health SeniorCare at Pittsboro, 163 Chatham Business Drive, Pittsboro, NC 27312 www.piedmonthhealthseniorcare.org – (919) 545-7337
- LIFE St. Joseph of the Pines, 4900 Raeford Road, Fayetteville, NC 28304
www.sjp.org - (910) 483-4911
- PACE of the Triad, 1471 E. Cone Boulevard, Greensboro, NC 27405
www.pacetriad.org - (336) 550-4040



PACE Organizations in NC

- PACE @Home, 1915 Fairgrove Church Road, SE, Newton, NC 28658
www.pace-at-home.org – (828) 468-3980
- Carolina Senior Care, 802 East Center Street, Lexington, NC 27292
www.carolinaseniorcare.org – (336) 746-3500
- PACE of the Southern Piedmont, 6133 The Plaza, Charlotte, NC 28215
www.pacesp.com – (704) 887-3840
- VOANS Senior CommUnity Care, 4022 Stirrup Creek Drive, Durham, NC 27703
www.seniorcommunitync.org - (919) 425-3000
- Senior Total Life Care, 1875 Remount Road, Gastonia, NC 28054
www.seniortlc.org - (704) 874-0600



PACE Organizations in NC

- **Randolph Health StayWell Senior Care, 809 Curry Drive, Asheboro, NC 27203 – (336) 628-4200.**
- **CarePartners PACE, 286 Overlook Road, Asheville, NC 28803**
www.carepartners.org - 828.213.8442



PACE Resources

Internal

- **DMA**
North Carolina Department of Health
& Human Services
Division of Medical Assistance
1985 Umstead Drive
Raleigh, NC 27699
(919) 855-4000
www.ncdhhs.gov/dma
- **CMS**
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid
Services
61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Suite 4T20
Atlanta, Georgia 30303
(404) 562-7150
www.cms.gov

External

- **North Carolina PACE Association**
2401 Weston Parkway
Suite 101-B
Cary, NC 27513
(919) 234-1707
www.ncpace.org
- **National PACE Association**
801 North Fairfax Street
Suite 309
Alexandria, VA 22314
(703) 535-1565
www.npaonline.org



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QUESTIONS