

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State: California

Citation

Section 1902 (a)(28)(D)(i)

And 1919 (e)(7) of the Act;

P.L. 100-203 (Section 4211 (c)); P.L. 101-508 (Section 4801 (b)).

4.39 Preadmission Screening and Resident Review

- (a) The Department of Health Care Services (The Department), as both the Medicaid Agency and state mental health authority, must have in effect a written agreement with the intellectual disability authority that meets the requirements of 42 CFR § 431.621(c).
- (b) The State operates a preadmission screening and resident review (PASRR) program that meets the requirements of 42 CFR §§ 483.100-138.
- (c) Federal Financial Participation (FFP) for medical assistance as defined in 42 USC § 1396b is available for services furnished after the PASRR process has been completed and for individuals who meet the requirements defined in 42 CFR § 483.118(c)(1).
- (d) FFP is not available for the cost of nursing facility (NF) services to individuals who are found not to require NF level of care.
- (e) If an individual with serious mental illness (SMI) or intellectual disability, developmental disability, and/or related conditions (ID/DD/RC) is determined to require a NF level of services, the state mental authority or intellectual disability authority (as appropriate) must also determine, in accordance with 42 CFR § 483.130, whether the individual requires specialized add-on services as specified in ATTACHMENT 4.39.
- (f) The state mental health authority makes categorical determinations as specified in ATTACHMENT 4.39-A that take into account that certain diagnoses, levels of severity of illness, or need for a particular service clearly indicate that admission to or residence in a NF is normally needed, or that the provision of specialized add-on services is not normally needed.

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- (g) The state mental health authority and intellectual disability authority make individualized determinations based on more extensive individualized evaluations as required in 42 CFR §§ 483.132, 483.134, and 483.136.
- (h) PASRR screenings must be completed using an electronic online system operated and maintained by the Department.
- (i) Per 42 CFR § 483.106(b)(2), exemption from the preadmission screening may be applied as the Exempted Hospital Discharge (EHD). An EHD means an individual:
 1. Who is admitted to any NF directly from a hospital after receiving acute inpatient care at the hospital;
 2. Who requires NF Services for the condition for which he or she received care in the hospital; and
 3. Whose attending physician has certified before admission to the facility that the individual is likely to require less than 30 days NF services.

The hospital must complete the Level I to substantiate an EHD with supporting documentation prior to NF admission. If an individual who enters a NF as an EHD is later found to require more than 30 days of NF care, the NF must submit a new Level I Screening marked as a Resident Review by the 31st day.