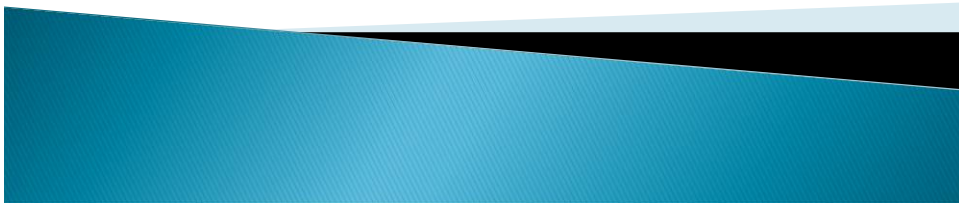


Community Choices Waiver: New Services

DHH OFFICE OF AGING AND
ADULT SERVICES (OAAS)



Starting October: All New

- ▶ Nursing
- ▶ Skilled Maintenance Therapies (SMT)
 - Physical Therapy
 - Occupational Therapy
 - Speech/Language Therapy
- ▶ Home Delivered Meals
- ▶ Caregiver Temporary Support
- ▶ In-home Activity/Sensor Monitoring Systems



Starting October: New Twists on Existing Services

- ▶ Environmental Accessibility Adaptation (EAA):
 - Assessor/Inspector/Approver service
- ▶ Personal Assistance Service (PAS):
 - AM &/or PM service



Continuing

- ▶ Support Coordination
- ▶ TISC
- ▶ Transition Services
- ▶ ADHC
- ▶ PAS (in 15 minute increments)
- ▶ PERS
- ▶ Environmental Accessibility Adaptations (EAA):
 - Construction

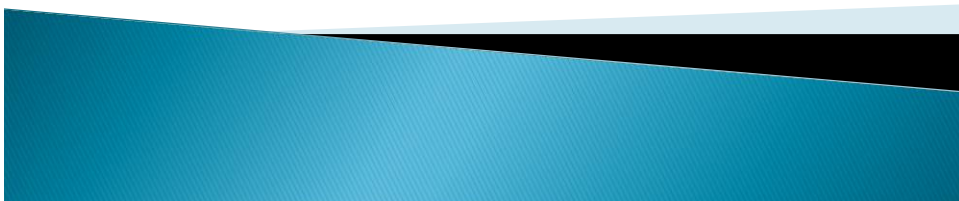


New Services Coming Later


- ▶ Assistive Technology, Devices, and Medical Supplies (a full array, over and above In-Home Sensor Monitoring)
- ▶ Non-Medical Transportation
- ▶ Respiratory Therapy




Working through the
Details




Environmental Accessibility Adaptation

- ▶ Two kinds of providers
 - Contractors
 - Assessor/Inspector/Approvers
 - ▶ Procedures for Assessor/Inspector/Approver:
 - Basic assessment & approval (\$600)
 - Supplemental fee for complex assessment & approval (\$150)
 - ▶ Service includes assessment, specs, estimated price, interim inspection (if needed), & final inspection/approval
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Environmental Accessibility Adaptation

- ▶ No longer a lifetime max on EAAs, *however...*
 - ▶ ... SC will authorize EAA only if health & welfare can be reasonably assured within available budget/resources
 - ▶ Current prior and post authorization steps will apply for the construction component of EAA
 - ▶ RO will continue to review if no Assessor/Inspector/Approver enrolled
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Personal Assistance Services (PAS)

- ▶ Two possible methods of delivery:
 - Agency-delivered
 - Self-directed
 - ▶ For agency-delivered, two possible kinds of providers
 - Licensed PCA agencies
 - Licensed Home Health agencies
 - ▶ Home Health agencies must use certified home health aides to deliver PAS
 - ▶ Per licensing, Home Health agencies may not provide services outside their 50 mile radius
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PAS – AM/PM Procedures

- ▶ AM/PM provides a minimum of 1 and a maximum of 2 hours of PAS in the morning and/or 1–2 hours in the evening
 - ▶ AM/PM is paid at an enhanced rate of \$30 per episode
 - ▶ AM/PM can also be billed under Self-Direction
 - ▶ AM/PM is not designed for shared supports
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PAS – AM/PM

- ▶ Participant may have AM or PM or both, *however*
 - AM & PM sessions must be separated by at least 4 hours
 - Participant may **NOT** have “regular” PAS (billed in 15 minute increments) on the same day as AM or PM service/procedure (SRI will kick back)
 - AM/PM & “regular PAS may be “mixed & matched” within PoC week
 - ▶ PAS providers must provide **BOTH** “regular” PAS services and AM/PM service
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Skilled Maintenance Therapies (PT, OT, & Speech/Language)

- ▶ 3 kinds of providers:
 - Licensed Home Health Agencies
 - Licensed Rehab Centers
 - Individual Licensed Therapists
 - ▶ Must have at least 1 year working with elderly
 - ▶ HHAs must stay within their 50 mile radius
 - ▶ SMT Providers must certify that service/procedure cannot be paid by another source (e.g., Medicare)
 - ▶ Service defined differently than Medicaid state plan
 - ▶ Prior Authorization good for 6 months
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SMT Billable Procedures

- ▶ PT & OT Procedures:
 - Evaluation
 - Re-evaluation
 - Home care training for family
 - Home care training for non-family
 - Therapy (PT or OT)
 - ▶ Limitations
 - Training for family cannot be billed on same day as training for worker, *however*
 - PT/OT can train both at once and choose a code
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SMT Billable Procedures

- ▶ Speech Language Therapy
 - S/L Hearing Evaluation
 - Swallowing Functioning Evaluation
 - S/L Hearing Therapy
 - Oral Function Therapy
 - ▶ Training of individual, informal supports, or worker can be billed under therapy codes
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Nursing

- ▶ 3 kinds of providers:
 - Licensed Home Health Agencies
 - Licensed ADHCs
 - Individual licensed nurse practitioners
 - ▶ Providers must certify that service/procedure cannot be paid by another source (e.g., Medicare, Medicaid State Plan)
 - ▶ Nursing definition for waiver not significantly different than state plan
 - ▶ Prior Authorization issued for 6 months
 - ▶ HHAs must stay within their 50 mile radius
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Nursing – Billable Procedures

- ▶ Nursing assessment by Nurse Practitioner
 - ▶ Nurse Practitioner visit
 - ▶ Nursing Assessment by RN
 - ▶ Nursing Assessment by LPN
 - ▶ Nursing Care by RN
 - ▶ Nursing Care by LPN
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Home Delivered Meals

- ▶ Both in-state and out of state providers will enroll
 - ▶ Variety of delivery methods to “mix & match”
 - ▶ Waiver can provide max of two meals per day
 - ▶ Annual prior auth
 - ▶ Span billing allowed – i.e., providers can bill for multiple meals delivered over a period of days
 - ▶ Important to keep up with hospital admissions, etc., and inform provider
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Assistive Technology – Activity/Sensor Monitoring

- ▶ Part of a broad assistive technology category we will be calling “TeleCare”
 - ▶ Is the only new Assistive Technology billable for October 1st
 - ▶ Will be delivered by licensed Home Health Agencies
 - ▶ Billable procedures:
 - Activity & Sensor Monitoring – One-time fee for equipment Installation & Removal
 - Activity & Sensor Monitoring – Monthly fee for monitoring, routine maintenance, & rental
 - Cannot get same time as PERs
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Temporary Caregiver Support


- ▶ Several kinds of providers:
 - Licensed PCA & Home Health Agencies may provide in-home respite by worker or home health aide
 - Licensed Nursing Homes, Assisted Living Centers, and Respite Care Centers may provide *overnight* respite only
 - Licensed ADHCs may provide center-based, non-overnight respite for up to 10 hours per day
 - ▶ Limitations:
 - No more than 30 calendar days or 29 overnight stays per POC year
 - Max of 14 calendar days or 13 overnight stays at one time
 - Cannot be billed at same time as PAS or ADHC
 - ▶ PCA, ADHCs and Home Health Agencies will bill through LAST; but overnight providers will not
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Some Planning Considerations




Planning Considerations

- ▶ Emphasize use of Waiver Nursing & SMT more for consultation than ongoing treatment
 - Involve in Plan of Care development, home safety assessment, participant & worker education, etc.

 - ▶ EAA Assessor/Inspector/Approver is an expensive way to get assistive technology identified.
 - Use job aid for screening
 - Consider using OT or PT instead
 - Don't forget resources like LATAN
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Planning Considerations

- ▶ Consider building in some days of respite

 - ▶ A PoC alternative to “my Worker” in the home?:
 - AM/PM or ADHC *with*
 - Home Delivered Meals *with*
 - In-Home Sensor Monitoring
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Planning Considerations

- ▶ Health and Welfare
 - Participants have considerable flexibility to “spend” budget on EAAs, technology, etc.
 - Work with ROs to assure such plans don’t neglect other health and welfare needs


- ▶ “Don’t spend it all in one place” (or at one time)
 - Not necessary to budget all funds at outset
 - Technique: enter required and “big” expenses first




NF Transitions & Temporary Stays



Waiver Services payable during Transitions

- ▶ TISC
 - ▶ Transition Services
 - ▶ Nursing Assessment (*if* absolutely necessary since NF should provide)
 - ▶ SMT Evaluation (*if* absolutely necessary since NF should provide)
 - ▶ Sensor monitoring
 - ▶ EAA
 - ▶ PERs
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Services Payable During transition

- ▶ Services allowable during transition will be payable from outset
 - Include in initial or provisional Plan of Care
 - SRI will issue PA
 - Bill as usual (i.e., while person is in the NF)
 - ▶ Must assess viability of transition before submitting PoC
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Services payable during NF Temporary Stays

- ▶ Support Coordination
- ▶ Nursing Assessment (*if* absolutely necessary since NF should provide)
- ▶ SMT Evaluation (*if* absolutely necessary since NF should provide)
- ▶ Activity/Sensor monitoring
- ▶ EAA
- ▶ PERs

QUESTIONS??????