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of the body resulting from an accidental injury or for reconstruction following mastectomy.

(d) Experimental medical, surgical, or other health procedures.

(e) Services furnished outside of the United States, except as follows:

(1) In accordance with §§ 424.122 through 424.124 of this chapter.

(2) As permitted under the State's approved Medicaid plan.

§ 460.98 Service delivery.

(a) *Plan.* A PACE organization must establish and implement a written plan to furnish care that meets the needs of each participant in all care settings 24 hours a day, every day of the year.

(b) *Provision of services.* (1) The PACE organization must furnish comprehensive medical, health, and social services that integrate acute and long-term care.

(2) These services must be furnished in at least the PACE center, the home, and inpatient facilities.

(3) The PACE organization may not discriminate against any participant in the delivery of required PACE services based on race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex, age, mental or physical disability, or source of payment.

(c) *Minimum services furnished at each PACE center.* At a minimum, the following services must be furnished at each PACE center:

(1) Primary care, including physician and nursing services.

(2) Social services.

(3) Restorative therapies, including physical therapy and occupational therapy.

(4) Personal care and supportive services.

(5) Nutritional counseling.

(6) Recreational therapy.

(7) Meals.

(d) *Center operation.* (1) A PACE organization must operate at least one PACE center either in, or contiguous to, its defined service area with sufficient capacity to allow routine attendance by participants.

(2) A PACE organization must ensure accessible and adequate services to meet the needs of its participants. If necessary, a PACE organization must increase the number of PACE centers, staff, or other PACE services.

(3) If a PACE organization operates more than one center, each center must offer the full range of services and have sufficient staff to meet the needs of participants.

(e) *Center attendance.* The frequency of a participant's attendance at a center is determined by the interdisciplinary team, based on the needs and preferences of each participant.

§ 460.100 Emergency care.

(a) *Written plan.* A PACE organization must establish and maintain a written plan to handle emergency care. The plan must ensure that CMS, the State, and PACE participants are held harmless if the PACE organization does not pay for emergency services.

(b) *Emergency care.* Emergency care is appropriate when services are needed immediately because of an injury or sudden illness and the time required to reach the PACE organization or one of its contract providers, would cause risk of permanent damage to the participant's health. Emergency services include inpatient and outpatient services that meet the following requirements:

(1) Are furnished by a qualified emergency services provider, other than the PACE organization or one of its contract providers, either in or out of the PACE organization's service area.

(2) Are needed to evaluate or stabilize an emergency medical condition.

(c) An emergency medical condition means a condition manifesting itself by acute symptoms of sufficient severity (including severe pain) such that a prudent layperson, with an average knowledge of health and medicine, could reasonably expect the absence of immediate medical attention to result in the following:

(1) Serious jeopardy to the health of the participant.

(2) Serious impairment to bodily functions.

(3) Serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part.

(d) *Explanation to participant.* The organization must ensure that the participant or caregiver, or both, understand when and how to get access to emergency services.

(e) *On-call providers.* The plan must provide for the following:

(1) An on-call provider, available 24-hours per day to address participant questions about emergency services and respond to requests for authorization of urgently needed out-of-network services and post stabilization care services following emergency services.

(2) Coverage of urgently needed out-of-network and post-stabilization care services when either of the following conditions are met:

(i) The services are preapproved by the PACE organization.

(ii) The services are not preapproved by the PACE organization because the PACE organization did not respond to a request for approval within 1 hour after being contacted or cannot be contacted for approval.

§ 460.102 Interdisciplinary team.

(a) *Basic requirement.* A PACE organization must meet the following requirements:

(1) Establish a interdisciplinary team at each center to comprehensively assess and meet the individual needs of each participant.

(2) Assign each participant to a interdisciplinary team functioning at the PACE center that the participant attends.

(b) *Composition of interdisciplinary team.* The interdisciplinary team must be composed of at least the following members:

- (1) Primary care physician.
- (2) Registered nurse.
- (3) Social worker.
- (4) Physical therapist.
- (5) Occupational therapist.
- (6) Recreational therapist or activity coordinator.
- (7) Dietitian.
- (8) PACE center manager.
- (9) Home care coordinator.
- (10) Personal care attendant or his or her representative.

(11) Driver or his or her representative.

(c) *Primary care physician.* (1) Primary medical care must be furnished to a participant by a PACE primary care physician.

(2) Each primary care physician is responsible for the following:

(i) Managing a participant's medical situations.

(ii) Overseeing a participant's use of medical specialists and inpatient care.

(d) *Responsibilities of interdisciplinary team.* (1) The interdisciplinary team is responsible for the initial assessment, periodic reassessments, plan of care, and coordination of 24 hour care delivery.

(2) Each team member is responsible for the following:

(i) Regularly informing the interdisciplinary team of the medical, functional, and psychosocial condition of each participant.

(ii) Remaining alert to pertinent input from other team members, participants, and caregivers.

(iii) Documenting changes of a participant's condition in the participant's medical record consistent with documentation policies established by the medical director.

(3) The members of the interdisciplinary team must serve primarily PACE participants.

(e) *Exchange of information between team members.* The PACE organization must establish, implement, and maintain documented internal procedures governing the exchange of information between team members, contractors, and participants and their caregivers consistent with the requirements for confidentiality in § 460.200(e).

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§ 460.104 Participant assessment.

(a) *Initial comprehensive assessment—*

(1) *Basic requirement.* The interdisciplinary team must conduct an initial comprehensive assessment on each participant. The assessment must be completed promptly following enrollment.

(2) As part of the initial comprehensive assessment, each of the following members of the interdisciplinary team must evaluate the participant in person, at appropriate intervals, and develop a discipline-specific assessment of the participant's health and social status:

- (i) Primary care physician.
- (ii) Registered nurse.
- (iii) Social worker.
- (iv) Physical therapist or occupational therapist, or both.
- (v) Recreational therapist or activity coordinator.