

## Questions from PASRR Webinars

- 1. Is a PAS required upon discharge from a hospital if the individual is being admitted to a nursing facility for the first time?**

The PAS (and if indicated the PASRR) must be completed PRIOR to the initial admission to a nursing facility.

- 2. Is another PAS required when a NF resident is discharged from a NF due to the exhaustion of hospital leave days?**

If this individual plans to be admitted to a different NF upon discharge from the hospital, a new PAS (and if indicated the PASRR) will need to be completed.

- 3. How do you determine if an individual needs a PAS completed?**

Anyone being admitted to a Medicaid Certified NF must have a PAS completed before admission regardless of payer source.

- 4. Will Medicaid pay for completion of Level II regardless of payer source?**

Yes, DOM pays for all Level IIs regardless if an individual has private insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, etc. if they are admitted to a Medicaid Certified NF.

- 5. Are NFs required to conduct the PASRR evaluation?**

No, these evaluations are completed by CMHCs and/or RCs.

- 6. When will additional training sessions be offered for new staff?**

Wednesday, March 3, 2010	9:00 am – 10:30 am
Thursday, June 3, 2010	2:00 pm – 3:30 pm
Tuesday, September 7, 2010	9:00 am – 10:30 am
Thursday, December 2, 2010	2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

- 7. If a PASRR evaluation begins in July and ends in August which billing roster should the evaluation go on?**

It should be billed in the month of completion. Therefore, the evaluation would be submitted on the August billing roster.

- 8. What should a facility do if there is a lack of staff to complete the PASRR evaluations within the timeline requirements outlined in the DOM policy?**

This question should be referred to your administrator or director as to review the signed contract between DOM and your facility.

**9. Is a PAS (and if indicated a PASRR) required if a non-Medicaid individual plans to be admitted to a nursing facility?**

The facility has to be completely private pay or Medicare only in order to be exempt from the PAS requirements.

**10. Can a resident in a nursing facility receive specialized services if a PASRR evaluation has never been completed?**

Yes, services could be provided without the completion of a PASRR evaluation. However, the CMHC or RC would not receive payment from the DOM without a completed PASRR evaluation and a PASRR Determination.

**11. Why do MR facilities not travel to the individuals to conduct evaluations like MI facilities?**

This is not a contract requirement for MR facilities because the catchment area is larger for RCs.

**12. Are there any exceptions to the referral date being the date that Carla requests a Level II be completed?**

No

**13. Will the DOM be conducting training sessions with NF staff regarding the PAS and PASRR processes?**

BLTC (responsible for PAS process) and BMHP (responsible for PASRR process) will conduct combined training sessions for NFs regarding both processes next year.

**14. Why do CMHCs and RCs need to wait for approval from the State PASRR Coordinator before completing PASRR evaluations?**

The CMHC or RC will not receive payment from the DOM for completing an unauthorized PASRR evaluation.

**15. If a hospital refers a patient to a nursing facility, should the hospital staff or the nursing facility staff complete the PAS evaluation?**

The PASRR evaluation can be completed by either the nursing facility staff or the hospital staff; however, it must be completed PRIOR to admission to the nursing facility.

**16. What do CMHCs/RCs do if they have trouble meeting the PASRR evaluation timelines?**

It is CMHCs/RCs responsibility to complete the evaluation within 5 days of referral as outlined in the contract.

**17. Will the State PASRR Coordinator accept an H & P that is a year old?**

No, the H & P must be 6 months old or less.

**18. What do NFs do if they have staff that needs training on PAS and PASRR programs?**

Inquiries about PAS training can be made by contacting the Bureau of Long Term Care at (601) 359-6141.

Inquiries about PASRR training can be made by contacting the Bureau of Mental Health Services at (601) 359-9545.

**19. What do CMHCs/RCs do if the individual does not want the PASRR evaluation to be completed?**

PASRR evaluations must be completed if there is an indication of MI and/or MR on the PAS.

**20. Who do I contact if I have questions about PAYMODE?**

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