

Bureau of Community Services Policy

Fact Sheet

Private Duty Nursing (PDN) for State Plan Medicaid

Description of Subject

Private Duty Nursing (PDN) services are medically necessary, continuous, and complex nursing services provided by a licensed nurse (Registered Nurse (RN) or Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)) in a home setting. Continuous care is defined as more than four hours but fewer than 12 hours per visit. PDN services must be prior authorized. ODJFS determines eligibility for PDN in addition to the amount, scope and duration of services.

Population Served

All Medicaid fee-for-service-eligible consumers with medically necessary, continuous, medical needs that require skilled nursing care.

Where

Services can be delivered in the home and, if necessary, in community settings. Community settings **do not** include medical care in an inpatient facility, outpatient facility, hospital, physician's office or other medical care settings.

When

PDN has been a Medicaid State Plan service since July 2006.

Who/Why

Consumers eligible for PDN services can be any age. They:

- Must be prior authorized by BCSP
- Are not case managed by BCSP
- Must be on Medicaid fee-for-service
- Must have a comparable institutional level of care
- May receive comparable services from a Medicaid Managed Care Plan if enrolled in a Medicaid Managed Care Plan. Medicaid Managed Care Plans require their own prior authorization processes in order to access services.

How

For consumers enrolled on waivers administered by the Ohio Department of Aging or the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities, the case manager or SSA (Services or Support Administrator) should fax a completed ODJFS Form # 02374 (Private Duty Nursing Request Form) to ODJFS Bureau of Community Services Policy at (614) 387-7661 or scan and email the form to the PDN mailbox at PDN_BCSP@jfs.ohio.gov.

For consumers who are not enrolled on any waiver program, the provider must submit the ODJFS Form # 02374 (Private Duty Nursing Request Form) and submit it through the MITS system. If assistance is needed in submitting the form, please call provider relations at 1-800-686-1516. No faxes or emails will be accepted.

The form can be found at <http://www.odjfs.state.oh.us/forms/inter.asp>

Quantifiable Facts

- 75% of consumers receiving PDN are not on waivers
- 82% are under 21 years of age
- 56% of authorized hours are 8 or fewer hours per day

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