

Hospice Benefit Interactions with Home and Community Based Waiver Programs



For Healthy Connections Medicaid beneficiaries who are Community Long Term Care (CLTC) waiver participants, **and also** receiving the Hospice benefit through their Medicare Medicaid Plan (MMP), there are special considerations regarding authorizations of CLTC waiver services. Described below are the three groups into which these waiver services fall and the guidance for authorization responsibility. This information is being provided to help MMPs determine how to handle CLTC waiver benefits for Healthy Connections Prime members receiving the Hospice benefit.

1. Waiver services that may be routinely authorized for waiver participants also receiving the Hospice benefit, if appropriate:

Community Choices	HIV/AIDS	Mechanical Vent. Dependent
Case Management	Case Management	Case Management
Home Delivered Meals	Home Delivered Meals	Home Delivered Meals
Nutritional Supplements	Nutritional Supplements	Nutritional Supplements
PERS	--	PERS
Pest Control	Pest Control	Pest Control

2. Waiver services that may not be routinely authorized for waiver participants also receiving the Hospice benefit, but may be given special consideration on a case-by-case basis and require CLTC approval (or MMP Care Coordinator approval, in the case of Health Connections Prime members):

Community Choices	HIV/AIDS	Mechanical Vent. Dependent
Environmental Modification	Environmental Modification	Environmental Modification
Enhanced Environmental Modifications	Enhanced Environmental Modifications	Enhanced Environmental Modifications
Enhanced Pest Control	Enhanced Pest Control	Enhanced Pest Control

3. Waiver services that will not be authorized for members also receiving the Hospice benefit:

Community Choices	HIV/AIDS	Mechanical Vent. Dependent
Adult Day Health Care	--	--
Transportation to Adult Day Health Care	--	--
Attendant	Attendant	Attendant
Companion	Companion	--
Incontinence Supplies	Incontinence Supplies	Incontinence Supplies
Personal Care I	Personal Care I	Personal Care I
Personal Care II	Personal Care II	Personal Care II
--	Private Duty Nursing	Private Duty Nursing
Respite	--	Respite
Specialized Medical Equipment	Specialized Medical Equipment	Specialized Medical Equipment
Telemonitoring	--	--
Self-Directed Services	Self-Directed Services	Self-Directed Services

Two additional prescriptions allowed for HIV/AIDS and Mechanical Ventilator Dependent waiver participants.

For More Information

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