

Perinatal High Risk Management/ Infant Services System

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What is PHRM/ISS ?

The Perinatal High Risk Management/
Infant Services System (**PHRM/ISS**) is a
multidisciplinary case management pro-
gram. It is established to help improve ac-
cess to health care and to provide en-
hanced services to certain Medicaid-
eligible pregnant/postpartum women and
infants. The enhanced services for this
target population include case manage-
ment, psychosocial and nutritional coun-
seling/ assessments, home visits and
health education.

What is the main goal of the PHRM/ISS Program?

The main goal is to help reduce the infant
mortality rate to no more than seven
deaths per 1000 live births and to help
reduce the low birth weight rate to no
more than five percent of all births.
The very low birth weight rate should be
reduced to one percent of all births.

Who can participate as a provider of PHRM/ISS Case Management Services?

Any physician or clinic licensed to prac-
tice in the state of Mississippi or other ap-
proved practitioner enrolled in the MS
Medicaid program may provide
PHRM/ISS services. The participating
providers must employ or have access to
an interdisciplinary team which consists of
a MS licensed Physician, Nurse Practitio-
ner, Physician Assistant, Certified Nurse-
Midwife or Registered Nurse, licensed
Social Worker **AND** licensed Nutrition-
ist/Dietitian.

Who is eligible to participate in the PHRM/ISS Program?

Medicaid beneficiaries are eligible to par-
ticipate in this program when a physician,
nurse practitioner or certified nurse mid-
wife identifies one or more positive risk
factors on the PHRM/ISS Perinatal
Screening Form. This is a voluntary pro-
gram. It is not mandatory for a benefi-
ciary to participate in this program.

What is the role of the PHRM/ISS enrollee?

- Participate in the planning for their medical care.
- Get prenatal care and WIC as soon as possible
- Keep all appointments with their doctor and the Case Management Team.
- Keep the team informed of actual or potential problems during pregnancy.
- Make sure the team knows how to reach you.
- Ask questions.

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