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DESCRIPTIONS OF LIMITATIONS AS TO AMOUNT, DURATION AND SCOPE OF MEDICAL CARE AND SERVICES PROVIDED

Private Duty Nursing (PDN) Services

The Division of Medicaid covers medically necessary private duty nursing (PDN) services for Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT)-eligible beneficiaries when ordered by the beneficiary's primary physician or appropriate physician specialist and prior authorized by the Division of Medicaid's Utilization Review/Quality Improvement Organization (UM/QIO) or a contracted Coordinated Care Organization's (CCO's) UM/QIO.

PDN services are defined as skilled nursing care services for EPSDT-eligible beneficiaries who require more individualized and continuous care than is available from a visiting nurse or routinely provided by the nursing staff of the hospital or skilled nursing facility.

PDN services must be provided by a Mississippi Medicaid enrolled PDN provider and comply with the provider requirements specified by the Division of Medicaid.

Personal Care Services (PCS)

The Division of Medicaid covers medically necessary personal care services (PCS) for Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT)-eligible beneficiaries when ordered by the beneficiary's primary physician and prior authorized by the Division of Medicaid's Utilization Review/Quality Improvement Organization (UM/QIO) or a contracted Coordinated Care Organization's (CCO's) UM/QIO.

PCS are medically necessary personal care services for EPSDT-eligible beneficiaries who require assistance in order to safely perform the activities of daily living (ADLs) due to a diagnosed condition, disability, or injury. The delivery and receipt of these services must be medically necessary for the treatment of the beneficiary's condition, disability, or injury and exceed the level of care available through the home health benefit.

PCS services must be provided by a Mississippi Medicaid enrolled PDN provider and comply with the provider requirements specified by the Division of Medicaid.

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METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES-OTHER TYPES OF CARE

Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT)

Private Duty Nursing

The Division of Medicaid reimburses private duty nursing (PDN) services for a registered nurse (RN) by adding the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) percentage of 7.65% and an administrative allowance of 0.53% to the May 2018 National Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Highest Median Hourly rate for an RN in the Memphis, TN-MS-AR area . An additional \$17.00 per hour is added to the rate calculation for RN PDN ventilator services.

The Division of Medicaid reimburses private duty nursing (PDN) services for a licensed practical nurse (LPN) by adding the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) percentage of 7.65% and an administrative allowance of 16.51% to the May 2018 National Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Highest Median Hourly rate for an LPN in the Memphis, TN-MS-AR area.

Personal Care Services

The Division of Medicaid reimburses personal care services (PCS) for a certified nursing assistant (CNA) by adding the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) percentage of 7.65% and an administrative allowance of 21.35% to the May 2018 National Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Mean Hourly rate for a CNA in the Memphis, TN-MS-AR.

Except as otherwise noted in the state plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of PDN services and PCS. The Division of Medicaid's fee schedule rate was set as of July 1, 2020, and is effective for services provided on or after that date. All fees are published on the Division of Medicaid's website at https://medicaid.ms.gov/providers/fee-schedules-and-rates/.

The Division of Medicaid reimburses one hundred percent (100%) of the maximum allowable rate for the first beneficiary and fifty percent (50%) of the maximum allowable rate for the second beneficiary when a private duty nurse is caring for two (2) beneficiaries simultaneously in the same home.

The Division of Medicaid will reduce the rate of reimbursement to PDN and PCS providers for EPSDT services by five percent (5%) of the allowed amount for that service. The five percent (5%) reduction has been in place since July 1, 2002 and the fee schedule already incorporates the five percent (5%) reduction. The federal match will be paid based on the reduced amount.

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