FAQ'S PACE Members

Q: What is PACE?

- A: PACE provides comprehensive services to individuals aged **55 and older** who need nursing facility level of care but prefer to continue living at home. Enrollees receive services through a PACE organization which works to meet all preventive care, acute care, long-term care, and social needs.
- Q: What are the eligibility requirements?
- A: Must be at least 55 years of age,
 - Meet nursing facility level of care,

Able to live safely in the community at the time of enrollment, and

Have Medicare, Medicaid, or the ability to pay the monthly service fee.

- Q: What services are provided through PACE?
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 - Primary care
 - Social services
 - Physical, occupational, and other therapies
 - · Personal care and supportive services
 - Nutritional counseling
 - Recreational therapy
 - Meals

Services may be delivered at the PACE organization center, other health care facilities or in the individual's home. Services are paid for by Medicare and/or Medicaid or private pay. If an individual needs a service the PACE organization does not offer, PACE will contract with other providers who can meet the need.

Q: If I qualify for Medicaid to enroll in PACE will they take my house?

A: PACE participants are subject to estate recovery to reimburse the Medicaid program for the cost of services paid on your behalf. If you co-own the house with your spouse, the spousal exemption allows your spouse to keep the house.

Q: How do I enroll in PACE?

A: Contact the PACE provider organization that provides services in your county. The list of providers and the counties they cover can be found using this link: <u>list of enrolled PACE organizations</u>. It is helpful to have the following information ready at the time of application:

- Name
- Date of birth
- Social Security card; and
- Diagnosis and other medical information.