

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State/Territory: Kentucky

DEFINITION OF SPECIALIZED SERVICES

Mental Illness;

Specialized services (active treatment) is defined as the implementation of an individualized plan of care developed and supervised by a physician and provided by an interdisciplinary team of qualified mental health professionals, that prescribes specific therapies and activities for the treatment of persons who are experiencing an acute episode of serious mental illness, which necessitates continuous supervision by trained mental health personnel. Specialized services (active treatment) require the level of intensity provided in a psychiatric inpatient service.

Mental Retardation

Specialized services (active treatment) is defined as the continuous aggressive and consistent implementation of a program of specialized and generic training, treatment, health and related services, which are comparable to services an individual would receive in an Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded (ICF/MR), and in the Alternative Intermediate Services for Mental Retardation (AIS/MR) Waiver Program where 24-hour supervision is available that is directed toward: (1) the acquisition of the skills necessary for the person to function with as much self - determination and independence as possible; and (2) the prevention or deceleration of regression or loss of current optimal functional status. {NOTE: Continuous is defined as the interaction, at all times and in all settings, between staff and individuals served, in the implementation of specific Individual Program Plan (IPP) objectives. }

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CATEGORICAL DETERMINATIONS

**Advance Group Determination for Nursing Facility Level of Care
(Provisional Admission for up to 14 Days)**

An advance group determination, or provisional admission, is one in which the Level I reviewer, after nursing facility certification, takes into account certain diagnoses or the need for a particular service which clearly indicates that admission into or residence in a nursing facility is normally needed. Persons who enter the nursing facility under the provisional admissions category do not require an individualized evaluation to determine that specialized services are needed prior to admission. However, a request for a Level II PASARR should be made within nine (9) days of admission with each provisional admission if they are not going to be discharged within the fourteen (14) days. This allows the PASARR evaluator five (5) days to provide a verbal determination.

Provisional Admissions
(Nursing Facility Placement up to 14 Days)

- 1) A diagnosis of delirium as defined in the OSMITIR, allows for a fourteen (14) day admission pending further assessment, when an accurate diagnosis cannot be made until the delirium clears.
- 2) Respite is allowed to in-home care givers to whom the person with mental illness or mental retardation is expected to return following a fourteen (14) day or less stay.