

## 3380.00.00 PACE – GENERAL INFORMATION

The Program of All-Inclusive care for the elderly (PACE) serves people who are age 55 or older who are determined by the state administering agency to need the level of care required under the state Medicaid plan for coverage of nursing facility services.

The PACE applicant must be able to live safely in the community at the time of enrollment and must live in a PACE service area. PACE provides medical and support services to seniors with chronic care needs while maintaining their independence in the home.

The PACE program determines medical eligibility for PACE enrollees, and the DFR determines financial and non-financial eligibility under rules applying to institutional and waiver groups. A PACE participant's Medicaid health benefits will be delivered under managed care and not traditional fee for service (FFS). PACE members will not have a liability established.

If a PACE enrollee enters a nursing home, the PACE program pays for the nursing home stay and continues to coordinate the enrollee's care. If a PACE participant becomes eligible for a waiver or RCAP services, then the member is no longer eligible for PACE services.

The PACE participant can choose to disenroll from the PACE program at any time by contacting their PACE coordinator with disenrollment occurring at the end of the month.

PACE providers are required to submit verification to the DFR informing them that the individual is participating in the PACE program.

The information that they are required to submit includes:

- Name of participant
- RID
- Name of facility
- **PACE Pre-Approval Date**
- Date left the program (if applicable)

For those ongoing in another Medicaid category, when a member is enrolled in PACE, this is considered a category change request, and a MED 1 category change must be completed.

The only time a member should be added as PACE in the eligibility system is if there is verification from the provider in the case file of participation in the program.

If there are questions, please submit them to PAL.