

Covered Services Under the Pennsylvania Medicaid Program

Mandatory Medical Services

As a condition of receiving federal matching funds, states are statutorily required to provide these services that are classified as mandatory:

- Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) Services for Children Under Age 21
- Family Planning Services and Supplies
- Home Health Care for Persons Eligible
- Inpatient Hospital Services
- Laboratory and X-Ray Services
- Medical and Surgical Dental Services
- Nurse Midwife Services
- Nursing Facility Services
- Outpatient Hospital Services
- Nurse Practitioner Services
- Physician Services
- Rural Health Clinic and Federally Qualified Health Clinic Services Offered by These Entities
- All Medically Necessary* Care for Eligibles Under Age 21

* *Medically Necessary* is a service or benefit that is reasonably expected to: prevent the onset of an illness, condition or disability; reduce or ameliorate the physical, mental or developmental affects of an illness, condition, injury or disability; assist the recipient to achieve or maintain maximum functional capacity in performing daily activities, taking into account both the functional capacity of the recipient and those functional capacities that are appropriate for members of the same age.

† Adults eligible under the Medically Needy Only Medicaid category are not eligible for these services with some exceptions.

Reference: Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Public Welfare, Office of Medical Assistance Programs (2006). 2005/2006 Annual Report. Retrieved February 22, 2007 from <http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/Resources/Documents/Pdf/AnnualReports/OMAP05-06AnnualReport.pdf>

“Optional” Medical Services†

States may cover some or all of the services that the regulations classify as optional. Pennsylvania has chosen to cover the following services:

- Ambulatory Surgical Center
- Birthing Center Services
- Case Management (Targeted)
- Chiropractic
- Dental, including Orthodontics
- Drug & Alcohol Outpatient Clinic
- Hospice
- Inpatient Hospital and Nursing Facility Services for 65+ in an Institution for Mental Disease
- Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with Mental Retardation
- Intermediate Care Facilities/Other Related Conditions
- Independent Medical Clinic/Surgical Center Medical Supplies and Equipment
- Optometry
- Partial Hospitalization
- Primary Care Case Management Services
- Prescription Drugs
- Podiatrist
- Prosthetic Devices
- Psychiatric Clinic
- Rehabilitation Services
- Renal Dialysis
- Tuberculosis-Related
- Therapy (Occupational, Physical, and Speech for Adults Limited to Those Provided by a Hospital, Outpatient Clinic, or Home Health Provider)
- Transportation To and From Appointments
- Home and Community-Based Services are Covered Under the Waiver