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# **Preadmission Screening & Resident Review (PASRR) – A Regulatory Perspective for Nursing Facility's (NF)**

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Long-Term Care Regulation



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# Objectives

- Identify and review basic PASRR processes
- Identify and describe PASRR specialized services and the process to deliver and coordinate
- Identify PASRR regulations, requirements and surveyor responsibilities

# PASRR Basics

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PASRR = Preadmission Screening and Resident Review

- Medicaid-certified nursing facilities are required to comply
- Screens all admissions for mental illness (MI), intellectual disability (ID), and developmental disability (DD)
- Helps ensure appropriate placement
- Helps ensure specialized services are provided

Approved Diagnostic Codes for Persons with Related Conditions:  
<https://hhs.texas.gov/sites/default/files/documents/doing-business-with-hhs/providers/health/icd10-codes.pdf>



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# What is a Referring Entity?

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- Hospitals
- Family Members or legally authorized representative (LAR)
- Nursing Homes
- Hospice
- Physicians
- Assisted Living Communities
- Group Homes
- Adult Protective Services (APS)
- Law Enforcement



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# Referring Entity's (RE)

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## RE Responsibility in the PASRR Process:

- RE is responsible for completing the PL1 form
- PASRR Level 1 (PL1) must be completed and received by the NF prior to admission



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# What is the PL1? (1 of 2)

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PL1 = PASRR Level 1 = Initial Screening

- PL1 is completed by the RE
- PL1 identifies a person suspected of having MI, ID, or DD/related condition (RC)
- PASRR evaluation (PE) is completed to confirm or deny this suspicion



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# What is the PL1? (2 of 2)

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NF staff may provide assistance with completing the PL1 if the RE is a:

- family member
- personal representative
- representative from an emergency placement source

A new PL1 is not required if the NF resident goes to an acute care hospital:

- for less than 30 days
- readmitted to the same NF



# Admission Processes

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## 4 Types of Admission Processes:

- Negative
- Exempted
- Expedited
- Preadmission



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# Negative Admission

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## PL1 Screening is Negative

- All fields in Section C are all “No”
- Negative PASRR Eligibility

RE sends the PL1 to the admitting NF with the person

- No suspicion of MI, ID or DD/RC
- No additional evaluation is needed prior to admission



# Exempted Hospital Discharge

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## Discharge from an Acute Care Hospital only

- Physician certifies that the person is likely to require less than 30 days of NF services

## Medical record that goes with resident to the NF

- Certification is not recorded in the PL1
- Physician certification is recorded in the resident's record



# Expedited Admission

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## Admission from Acute Care Hospitals and NFs

- Convalescent Care
- Terminally Ill
- Severe Physical Illness
- Delirium
- Emergency Protective Services
- Respite
- Coma



# Preadmission (1 of 2)

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Any admission from the community:

- Not expedited or exempted
- Not from Acute Care Hospital or Nursing Facility

Coming from:

- Psychiatric hospital
- Home
- Hospice
- Group home
- Assisted living
- Jail



# Preadmission (2 of 2)

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If PL1 screening is positive:

RE faxes PL1 to local authority (LA)

- LIDDA: local intellectual and developmental disability authority
- LMHA: local mental health authority
- LBHA: local behavioral health authority

LA meets face-to-face with individual within 72 hours

LA submits the PL1 into the Long-Term Care (LTC)  
Online Portal



# Long Term Care Online Portal (LTCOP)

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## Negative PL1

- NF enters PL1 into the LTCOP PASRR process ends

## Positive PL1

- NF or LA (in the case of a readmission) enters the PL1 into the LTCOP
- LA receives an alert to complete a PASRR Evaluation (PE)



# What are the uses of the LTCOP?

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- Check daily for PASRR communications
- Download PE and review all recommended specialized services
- Certify that a resident's needs can be met
- Document the interdisciplinary team (IDT) meeting
- Request specialized services and durable medical equipment
- Annually document specialized services being provided to the resident



# PASRR Evaluation

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Meet Face-to-face with LI DDA or LMHA/LHBA

- Determine if ID, DD, and/or MI
- Assess need for nursing home care
- Identify alternate placement options
- Assess need for specialized services
- Identify specialized services to recommend



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# Resident Review

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Face-to-face re-evaluation due to significant change in status

- Re-assess the resident's need for nursing home care
- Identify alternate placement options
- Assess need for new/different specialized services



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# NF Actions After the PE

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- LA completes the PASRR Evaluation (PE) - submits the PE into the LTC portal within 7 days
- NF reviews PE - reviews list of specialized services recommended
- NF certifies on the PL1 if they are “Able” or “Unable” to serve individual - Medical Necessity must be met for admission



# If Unable to Serve

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- If the NF is unable provide or support specialized services - cannot admit the individual (if a Preadmission)
- If already admitted, NF needs to contact the local authority and assist in finding alternate placement



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# If Able to Serve

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## Interdisciplinary Team Meeting (IDT)

- Schedule IDT
- Ensure mandatory participation
- Review recommendations
- Identify specialized services resident wants to receive
- Determine if resident is best served in the NF or community setting



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# After the IDT Meeting

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## Documentation:

- IDT meeting
- Identified specialized services
- On the PASRR Comprehensive Service Plan (PCSP)
- Within 3 business days and annually



# What needs to be documented from the IDT meeting?

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- Date of the IDT meeting
- Names of the participants in the meeting
- NF, LMHA/LBHA, or LIDDA specialized services agreed to in the meeting
- Determination of whether the resident is best served in the facility or a community setting



# Specialized Services

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Types based on who administers

- NF specialized services are for individuals with ID/DD
- LIDDA specialized services are for individuals with ID/DD
- LMHA/LBHA specialized services are for individuals with MI



# NF Specialized Services – ID/DD

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- Physical therapy (PT), Occupational therapy (OT), Speech therapy (ST) habilitative therapy
- Customized manual wheelchair
- Durable or adaptive medical equipment such as:
  - gait trainer;
  - standing board;
  - special needs car seat or travel restraint;
  - specialized or treated pressure reducing support mattress;
  - prosthetic or orthotic device; or
  - a positioning wedge.





# Habilitative vs Rehabilitative Therapy

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## Habilitative

- PT, OT, ST
- Attain new skills
- Maintain/prevent loss

## Rehabilitative

- Regain or improve skills lost or declined
- PT, OT, ST



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# How do surveyors ensure specialized services are being provided?

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## Review – Ensure - Verify

- Current PCSP
- NFSS forms completed within 20 days
- Authorization obtained from HHSC
- Habilitative therapies (PT, OT, ST) initiated within 3 days of approval
- Durable Medical Equipment (DME)/Customized manual wheelchair (CMWC) ordered within 5 days of approval



# LIDDA Specialized Services – ID/DD

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- Service coordination (alternate placement assistance)
- Employment assistance
- Supported employment
- Day habilitation
- Independent living skills training
- Behavioral support



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# LMHA/LBHA Specialized Services – MI

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- Skills training
- Medication training
- Psychosocial rehabilitation
- Case management
- Psychiatric diagnostic examination
- Others (see PCSP Form)



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# Dual Eligibility

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## Residents with ID or DD and MI

- May receive all three types of specialized services
- NF responsible for coordination with LIDDA and LMHA/LBHA



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# MI Diagnoses

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- Schizophrenia
- Mood disorder
- Paranoid disorder
- Panic/severe anxiety disorder
- Somatoform disorder
- Personality disorder
- Other psychotic disorder
- Other MI that may lead to chronic disability (PTSD)



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# What MI is NOT

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- Alzheimer's disease
- Other dementias
- Parkinson's disease
- Huntington's
- Depression (unless Major Depression)
- Generalized anxiety



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# Dementia and PASRR

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- Personality Changes
- Depression
- Inappropriate behavior
- Anxiety
- Paranoia
- Agitation
- Hallucinations



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# Form 1012: MI vs Dementia

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Current PL1 is negative:

- ✓ Is further evaluation for MI needed?
- ✓ Primary diagnosis of dementia or MI?

Do NOT use Form 1012:

- Current PL1 is positive with a negative PE
- Positive PE with primary diagnosis of dementia
- Negative PL1 but suspected of having ID/DD



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# Service Planning Team (SPT) – ID/DD

SPT meets 90 days after the IDT to develop a HSP

The SPT members:

- Resident and LAR (if any)
- LIDDS Service coordinator (MCO SC if returning to community)
- NF staff familiar with the resident's needs
- Persons providing NF and LIDDA specialized services
- Community representative if selected
- LMHA/LBHA rep if resident has MI
- Others

SPT meets:

- Quarterly
- If requested
- Change in service needs



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# SPT Members Responsible for NF Specialized Services

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## Must:

- Attend and participate in SPT meetings
- Assist the SPT in its responsibilities and required activities
- Contribute to the ISP, including NF PASRR support activities

## NF PASRR Support Activities:

- ✓ Arrange transportation for specialized service outside the NF
- ✓ Send required food and medications
- ✓ Agree to avoid conflicts with LIDDA or LMHA/LBHA specialized services



# The NF and the SPT

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Members of the SPT assist by:

- Monitoring to ensure needs are met
- Making referrals, service changes, and amendments
- Coordinating specialized services and NF support activities
- Developing a transition plan
- Reviewing and discussing information with key nursing staff



# Providing Habilitative Therapy

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Before providing therapy, the NF must ensure:

- Resident's care plan include required therapy service
- Resident has a relevant diagnosis
- Therapy service was ordered by a physician
- Assessment was completed within 30 days before the requested authorization



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# Providing DME or CMWC

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Assessment must be completed within 30 days before the requested authorization including:

- Relevant diagnosis
- Specific DME or CMWC, including any adaptations
- Description of how the DME or CMWC meets the specific needs of the resident

The authorization request to HHSC must include:

- ✓ The assessment (a qualified rehabilitation specialist must be part of the assessment for fitting of a CMWC)
- ✓ Statement of medical necessity signed by the physician
- ✓ Detailed specifications of the equipment from a supplier<sup>38</sup>



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# Payment Claims

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Before submitting a claim for payment:

- DME or CMWC original specifications must be verified
- Resident needs must be met
- Verification must document in the LTCOP

Submit a complete and accurate claim:

- ✓ Within 12 months after the last day of an authorization for habilitative therapy
- ✓ Within 12 months after the DME or CMWC is purchased

\*After a CMWC has been delivered, a NF will need to submit the qualified rehabilitation specialist certification form along with the CMWC receipt certification on the TMHP LTCOP.



# DME and CMWC: Personal Property

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## DME or Custom Manual Wheelchair:

- Personal property of the designated resident
- NF must ensure that only the designated resident uses the equipment
- NF must maintain and repair all medically necessary equipment





# PASRR Federal Regulations



Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 42, Part 483, and Subpart C:

<https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?SID=5f0e3ebd3db182417102de9b4c0207bb&mc=true&node=sp42.5.483.c&rgn=div6>

State Operations Manual (SOM), Appendix PP, *Guidance to Surveyors for Long Term Care Facilities*:

[https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/som107ap\\_pp\\_guidelines\\_ltcfd.pdf](https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/som107ap_pp_guidelines_ltcfd.pdf)



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# PASRR State Regulations

NF responsibilities related to PASRR: TAC, Title 26, Part 1, Chapter 554, Subchapter BB:

[https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=5&ti=26&pt=1&ch=554&sch=BB](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=5&ti=26&pt=1&ch=554&sch=BB)

LIDDA/LMHA/LBHA responsibilities related to PASRR: TAC, Title 26, Part 1, Chapter 303:

[https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=4&ti=26&pt=1&ch=303](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=26&pt=1&ch=303)



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# Surveyor Responsibilities

Check compliance with state and federal requirements during:

- Standard/Annual survey
- PASRR focused survey
- PASRR complaint investigation

Utilize the PASRR Critical Element Pathway to:

- Guide them through the key federal tags
- Determine compliance

# Resources



PASRR for Nursing Facilities

<https://www.hhs.texas.gov/doing-business-hhs/provider-portals/long-term-care-providers/resources/preadmission-screening-resident-review-pasrr/pasrr-nursing-facilities>

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<https://apps.hhs.texas.gov/providers/training/jointtraining.cfm>