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Program of All “Inclusive” Care for the Elderly (PACE) PASRR Information Sheet

A PASRR Level I screen must be completed for all individuals who are PACE clients being admitted to a skilled nursing facility level of care bed.

A PASRR Level I screen must be completed for PACE clients being admitted to a nursing facility level of care regardless of payer source.

The Level I for PACE clients can be submitted on-line by the PACE, hospital, hospice, nursing facility or other authorized provider. The stop on the on-line system for Medicaid clients can be bypassed by entering PACE as the payer source.

Level I Screens Without Triggers

- Non-Medicaid or hospice – the referring facility completes a hard copy of the new Level I and sends it to the receiving facility.
- Level I screens that do not have triggers should not be submitted to Dual Diagnosis Management- Ascend (DDM). All Level I screens that come across the web based PASRR system require some type of review by DDM Ascend, even if not a clinical review. Therefore, submitting Level I screens that do not have triggers and are therefore unnecessary, slows down the DDM Ascend review process. This in turn, holds up the outcome/discharge process. To obtain a hard copy of the Level I screens that do not have triggers, print a blank copy of the Level I screen form and complete it by hand. A copy of this Level I screen can be sent to the nursing facility.

Level I Screens with triggers are sent to DDM Ascend. Initial NF admission cannot occur until DDM either:

- Determines no further action is required
- Applies Convalescent, Terminal – as defined for Hospice purposes in 42CFR418.3 - or Severity exclusion
- Completes a Depression Diversion Screen
- Determines that an MI and/or DD Level II is needed