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COVERED SERVICES

The Medicaid Pediatric Day Health Care facility per diem includes the following services:

- Nursing care;
- Respiratory care;
- Physical therapy;
- Speech-language therapy;
- Occupational therapy;
- Personal care services (activities of daily living);
- Transportation to and from the PDHC facility. Transportation shall be paid in a separate per diem.

Documentation Requirements

The PDHC in order to provide services to a recipient must receive prior authorization. To receive prior authorization, the PDHC must submit the following documentation to the fiscal intermediary for each request:

- **Physician's Order for PDHC**

Services shall be ordered by the recipient's prescribing physician. A face to face evaluation must be held each year between recipient and physician.

The order shall contain the child's name, date of birth, sex, and Medicaid ID number. A description of current medical conditions shall include specific diagnosis codes. The order shall include the parent's name and phone number.

The provider's name and phone number shall be provided.

The physician shall acknowledge if the child is medically stable for outpatient medical services. The physician shall sign, date and provide his NPI number.

- **Prior Authorization Request Form 16**

Certification Period

The case shall be certified for a period not to exceed 182 days or 26 weeks.

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Parental Consent

A signed parental consent is required for participation in the PDHC. The consent form shall outline the purpose of the facility, parent's responsibilities, authorized treatment and emergency disposition plans.

A conference shall be scheduled prior to admission with the parent(s), PDHC representative, and the prescribing physician to begin development of the plan of care.

If the child is hospitalized at the time of the referral, planning for PDHC participation shall include the parent(s), relevant hospital medical, nursing, social services and developmental staff to begin the development of the plan of care that will be implemented following acceptance to the PDHC facility.

Durable Medical Equipment

Medicaid cannot reimburse a PDHC for durable medical equipment (DME) and supplies that are provided to the recipient through the Medicaid DME program.

Medication

The parent or guardian is to supply medications each day as prescribed by the attending physician or by a specialty physician after consultation and coordination with the PDHC facility. PDHC staff shall administer these medications while the child is on site.

Medications shall be kept in their original packaging and contain the original labeling from the pharmacy. The medication shall be individually stored in a secure location and Schedule II substances shall be kept in a separately locked and secure box in a locked medication cabinet. The facility shall have established policies and procedures for the handling and administration of controlled substances. The facility shall maintain a record of medication administration. The record shall contain each medication ordered and administered; the date, time, and dosage of each medication administered; and the initials of the person administering the medication.

Transportation

The PDHC facility shall provide or arrange transportation of children to and from the facility and is responsible for the safety of the children during transport. The family may choose to provide their own transportation. Providers who offer transportation or contract transportation with an agency must adhere to all rules and regulations outlined in the PDHC Facilities, Minimum Licensing Standards governing transportation.

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Parent/Guardian Authorization

The parent/guardian shall provide a signed authorization designating the person(s) the child can be released to for transportation purposes. The authorization shall provide the location where the child can be picked up or dropped off. The release shall name the facility and to whom the child shall be released to.

PDHC Facility Transportation/Contracted Transportation

Each driver or attendant shall be provided with a current master transportation list including each child's name, pick up and drop off locations and authorized persons to whom the child may be released. The driver or attendant shall maintain an attendance record for each trip. The record shall include the driver's name, the date, names of all passengers (children and adults) in the vehicle and the name to whom the child was released and the time of the release. This record shall be signed by the driver or attendant and the PDHC representative who accepts and releases the child each day. The driver plus one appropriately trained staff member on the needs of each child shall be required at all times in each vehicle when transporting the child.

PDHC Facility

The facility shall maintain an attendance record. The record shall include how the child was transported to and from the facility. The record for each trip shall include the name of the person transporting the child, the date and time of the release, and the signatures of the driver or parent and the PDHC representative.

Services Not Covered

The Medicaid PDHC per diem does not include the following services:

- Education and training services;
- Before and after school care;
- Medical equipment, supplies and appliances;
- Parenteral or enteral nutrition;
- Infant food or formula.