



Policy Directive 2021-06-001

Title: Termination of Temporary PASRR Extension Policy COVID-19

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Program(s) impacted: Elderly & Disabled Medical Programs (LTC)

The purpose of this document is to provide immediate guidance on the termination of the PASRR 30-day Extension policy that was originally implemented with PM2020-04-01 Instructions and Information for COVID-19 National Public Health Emergency.

A. Background

With the implementation of PM2020-04-01, policy requirements to have the Level I or Level II CARE on file for LTC/NF and LTC/MH coverage requests were waived for 30 days (or until resources became available). This allowed staff to approve institutional care coding while treating the admittance as an exempted hospital discharge until the Level I or Level II CARE was completed. KDADS has announced that the temporary PASRR policy has been rescinded effective June 20, 2021.

B. New Policy

Effective with all LTC/NF admissions on or after June 21, 2021, the policy requirement for the Level I or Level II CARE/PASRR is reinstated. The Level I or Level II assessment *must* be on file with the appropriate dates that state the individual has met the Level of Care (LOC) threshold prior to authorizing any LTC/NF or LTC/MH coverage per Medical KEESM 8114 and subsections.

Note: This policy only applies to LTC/NF requests where the individual was admitted on or after June 21, 2021. Individuals that were previously admitted on or before June 20, 2021 and were initially processed as an exempt hospital discharge per PM2020-04-01 shall have the ES-3164 requested no later than 45 days from the original CARE request date to KDADS. LTC coding on the case shall then be completed according to sections A-F of the ES-3164 to either continue or discontinue coverage.

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