



# **HFS**

**Illinois Department of  
Healthcare and Family Services**

**Program of All-Inclusive Care for the  
Elderly (PACE)**

# PACE History

On Lok adult day center in San Francisco was the nation's first adult day center in 1970. It was designed to meet the long-term care service needs of immigrants.

In 2003, Illinois added PACE as a Medicaid State Plan service. The first “pre-PACE” program was operated by Chicago REACH and sponsored by Sacred Heart Hospital. It did not reach certification as a full-PACE site and operation was discontinued in 2012/2013 for reasons unrelated to PACE.

SB 2294 / P.A. 102-0043 required HFS to pursue the implementation of PACE.

# PACE Authorities

42 CFR 460

320 ILCS 40

PACE regulations and requirements are strictly framed by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS).

A 3-way contract between the federal and state government and the PACE Organization is required prior to operation.

The State's role is defined by CMS.

- HFS must give assurance to CMS
- Readiness review and on-site evaluation
- On-going monitoring

# What is PACE?

PACE is a Medicare program and Medicaid state plan optional service.

PACE provides comprehensive medical and social services to certain frail, community-dwelling elderly individuals.

The comprehensive service package enables them to remain in the community rather than receive care in a nursing home.

PACE becomes the sole source of Medicare and Medicaid benefits for participants.

PACE is both a provider of care and an entity.

# PACE Participants

55 years of age and older.

Live in the service area of a PACE organization. (*CMS Query*)

Certified by the State to be eligible for nursing home care.

Be able to live safely in the community.

Dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid benefits.

# PACE Participant Enrollment

The Department of Aging's Community Care Units (CCUs) will serve as the first step for enrollment into the PACE program.

The CCUs will perform an initial assessment to make the Determination of Need (DON) through an instrument called the Community Health Assessment.

If the individual scores a 29 on the DON and meets all other eligibility criteria, the PACE Organization will make the final enrollment determination.

# PACE Organizations

PACE Organizations are required to have on staff an interdisciplinary team of health professionals to provide participants with coordinated care.

PACE Organizations are required to have at least one facility in each service region.

Reimbursement for the program occurs through a Medicare and Medicaid per member per month capitated rate.

PACE Organizations, through their interdisciplinary team, are to deliver all services participants need rather than only those reimbursable under Medicare and Medicaid fee-for-service plans.

# PACE Interdisciplinary Team

- ✓ Primary Care Provider
- ✓ Registered Nurse
- ✓ Master's-level Social Worker
- ✓ Therapists: physical, occupational, recreational
- ✓ Dietitian
- ✓ Home Care Coordinator
- ✓ Personal Care Attendant
- ✓ Driver



# PACE Interdisciplinary Team Responsibilities

- ✓ Initial Assessment, periodic reassessments, plan of care, and coordination of 24-hour care delivery.
- ✓ Documenting all recommendations for care or services and changes in participant's condition.
- ✓ Regularly informing the interdisciplinary team of the medical, functional, and psychosocial condition of each participant.

# PACE CENTER

Every PACE Organization is required to have at least one PACE center/facility which includes a primary care clinic, and areas for therapeutic recreation, restorative therapies, socialization, personal care, and dining, and which serves as the focal point for coordination and provision of most PACE services.

HFS will require the same time and distance standards that are required of all Managed Care Organizations under their Provider Network Adequacy Standards, that is, 30 minutes for urban and 60 minutes for rural.



# 8 PACE Organizations

## 5 Regions

2024

### WEST CHICAGO

- ❖ Kinship PACE of Illinois, LLC
- ❖ Lawndale Christian Health Center
- ❖ PACE of Southwest Chicago, LLC

### SOUTH CHICAGO

- ❖ Annie's Place PACE
- ❖ Esperanza Health Centers

### SOUTHERN COOK COUNTY

- ❖ BoldAge PACE Illinois

### PEORIA

- ❖ OSF HealthCare System

### EAST ST. LOUIS

- ❖ Stella PACE at Home, LLC

# QUESTIONS

