



**PACE....Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly**



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- A program for people 55 or older that need support to remain safely at home. It provides-community based care and services for someone who might otherwise need nursing home level of care.
- PACE goals align with the participant’s and the health system’s.
  - Remain in the home
  - Remain as healthy and functional as possible for as long as possible
  - Remain out of costly acute care settings and SNFs




**PACE Criteria**

**Eligibility:**


- 55 years or older
- Eligible for nursing home level of care (per state criteria)
- Safely cared for in a community setting\*
- Residents of a designated service area (Buncombe and Henderson Counties)

• \*North Carolina requires a “WILLING AND CAPABLE” Caregiver, as part of this criteria



**Typical Participant....**

- 97% qualify for Medicaid
- 80 years old
- Female
- 8 medical conditions
- 50% include diagnosis of dementia
- Limited in at least 3 activities of daily living (ADL’s)



### PACE InterDisciplinary Team (IDT)

- The IDT is the heart of the program—"the secret sauce"
- The IDT includes 11 CMS mandated members
- Primary Care Provider, Registered Nurse, Social Worker, Physical Therapist, Occupational Therapist, Recreational Therapist, Dietitian, Home Care Coordinator (RN), Transportation Manager, Program Assistant and Operations Director
- It drives the decisions behind each participants care
- They create an individualized care plan with input from every member (this is a living and breathing plan and changes with needs of participants and families)



### I still don't get it...it's too good to be true...tell me again? What Does PACE include?

#### Within the PACE facility:

- Physical therapy
- Occupational therapy
- Speech therapy
- Primary Care clinic
- Labs
- Social Activities
- Bathing
- Adult Day Care
- IDT coordination of care

#### Outside the facility:

- Specialist Appointments
- Dental/hearing and vision
- Home Care
- Transportation
- ER
- Hospitalizations
- DME
- Prescription drugs and home delivery
- Skilled nursing
- On call 24/7



### How is PACE paid for?

- Capitated PMPM
- PACE program bears all risk-covering 100% services
- Medicare AND FULL PACE Medicaid (NO cost to participant)
- Medicare and PARTIALLY Eligible for PACE Medicaid (Participants will have monthly payment to PACE-no other out of pocket costs)
- "I wont qualify for Medicaid" – We can pre-screen for Eligibility
- \*Nationally, about 97% of PACE participants will have both Medicare/Medicaid (Full or partial Medicaid)



### How to make a referral

- Ask:
  - 55 or older
  - Buncombe or Henderson County
  - Do they need more help?



### How to make a referral

They can call us

- A referral from a doctor is not needed.
- Anyone can call PACE and refer themselves or someone else.

We can call them

- Verbal permission to contact
- Name and contact number
- Ensures contact with the patient is made and allows us to work together



### For questions or to make a referral

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