



Preadmission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR)

What is PASRR?

PASRR is a screening process for individuals that reside in a Medicaid accepting facility regardless of payer that may have a mental illness. PASRR screens individuals to determine if their placement is appropriate and if additional specialized services to encourage mental wellness in a nursing facility are needed. Specialized services are any services outside the nursing home scope of care that may be needed.

Who is eligible?

When a member is being admitted to a Medicaid nursing facility, a Level I level of care screening is completed regardless of payer. During the Level I screening if a Mental Illness, Intellectual Disability or Related condition is identified, a Level II screening is prompted. PASRR is the Level II screening. A Level II screening will also be completed for a member that is being admitted to the SDMI HCBS waiver to stay in the community.

Who are the PASRR providers?

To be a PASRR screener the screener must be a licensed psychologist, licensed clinical social worker, licensed professional counselor or a mental health professional person. All regional mental health centers have PASRR contracts. Private therapists are also signing contracts to become Level II screeners. AMDD is invoiced directly and pays for contracted services

What is the referral process for PASRR?

When an individual enters a Medicaid nursing home or an individual is referred for the Sever Disabling Mental Illness (SDMI) home and community based (HCBS) waiver Mountain Pacific Quality Health (MPQH) is contacted by the nursing home or provider agency. Individuals can also make a self-referral to MPQH. MPQH will send a referral to a PASRR screener for processing. MPQH can be contacted at 1-800-219-7035.

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