

STATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

NURSING HOME GRANT

(Medicaid)

The Medicaid Grant process has the following two components:

1. Medical evaluation (LAMP) for determining appropriate level of care (skilled care, Intermediate care or assisted living). This evaluation incorporates a completed physician's form, applicant's medical history and applicant's ability to provide for his/her personal needs.
2. Financial eligibility is determined by verifying that the applicant's financial assets do not exceed Medicaid limits.

The specific steps that must be taken are:

1. Call the Philadelphia Corporation on Aging (PCA) intake at 215-765-6580. Provide basic information such as the applicant's name, diagnosis and where they are presently living.
2. The Philadelphia Corporation on Aging mails to the applicant medical and financial forms and a list of necessary financial verification information (i.e. burial plots, deed to home, bank statements, and other financial documents).
3. The MA-51 Medical Evaluation form is filled out by the applicant's doctor and is submitted to PCA for evaluation.
4. The LAMP evaluation is scheduled with the Philadelphia Corporation on Aging's social worker, applicant and family. The responsible party should be present at the interview.
5. The completed financial form is reviewed by the social worker at the time of the LAMP evaluation. Financial verification is also reviewed. Come to the interview with photocopies of all financial verifications to expedite the Grant process.
6. It will be approximately two weeks before a level of care is determined.
7. When the level of care is determined, the case is transferred from PCA to the Department of Public Assistance, Nursing Home District Office for determining financial eligibility.
8. Grant approval is dependent on the timeliness of submitting pertinent financial documents for verification of income and assets to the Philadelphia County Assistance Office, Nursing Home District.