249J.6 Expansion population benefits.

1. Beginning July 1, 2005, the expansion population shall be eligible for all of the following expansion population services:

a. Inpatient hospital procedures described in the diagnostic related group codes or other applicable inpatient hospital reimbursement methods designated by the department.

b. Outpatient hospital services described in the ambulatory patient groupings or non-inpatient services designated by the department.

c. Physician and advanced registered nurse practitioner services described in the current procedural terminology codes specified by the department.

d. Dental services described in the dental codes specified by the department.

e. Limited pharmacy benefits provided by an expansion population provider network hospital pharmacy and solely related to an appropriately billed expansion population service.

f. Transportation to and from an expansion population provider network provider only if the provider offers such transportation services or the transportation is provided by a volunteer.

2. *a*. Beginning no later than March 1, 2006, within ninety days of enrollment in the expansion population, each expansion population member shall participate, in conjunction with receiving a single comprehensive medical examination and completing a personal health improvement plan, in a health risk assessment coordinated by a health consortium representing providers, consumers, and medical education institutions. An expansion population member who enrolls in the expansion population prior to March 1, 2006, shall participate in the health risk assessment, receive the single comprehensive medical examination, and complete the personal health improvement plan by June 1, 2006. The criteria for the health risk assessment, the comprehensive medical examination, and the personal health improvement plan shall be developed and applied in a manner that takes into consideration cultural variations that may exist within the expansion population.

b. The health risk assessment shall be a web-based electronic system capable of capturing and integrating basic data to provide an individualized personal health improvement plan for each expansion population member. The health risk assessment shall provide a preliminary diagnosis of current and prospective health conditions and recommendations for improving health conditions with an individualized wellness program. The health risk assessment shall be made available to the expansion population member and the provider specified in paragraph "*c*" who performs the comprehensive medical examination and provides the individualized personal health improvement plan.

c. The single comprehensive medical examination and personal health improvement plan may be provided by an expansion population provider network physician, advanced registered nurse practitioner, or physician assistant or any other physician, advanced registered nurse practitioner, or physician assistant, available to any full benefit recipient including but not limited to such providers available through a free clinic or rural health clinic under a contract with the department to provide these services, through federally qualified health centers that employ a physician, or through any other nonprofit agency qualified or deemed to be qualified by the department to perform these services.

3. Beginning no later than July 1, 2006, expansion population members shall be provided all of the following:

a. Access to a pharmacy assistance clearinghouse program to match expansion population members with free or discounted prescription drug programs provided by the pharmaceutical industry.

b. Access to a medical information hotline, accessible twenty-four hours per day, seven days per week, to assist expansion population members in making appropriate choices about the use of emergency room and other health care services.

4. Membership in the expansion population shall not preclude an expansion population member from eligibility for services not covered under the expansion population for which the expansion population member is otherwise entitled under state or federal law.

5. Members of the expansion population shall not be considered full benefit dually eligible Medicare Part D beneficiaries for the purposes of calculating the state's payment under Medicare Part D, until such time as the expansion population is eligible for all of the same benefits as full benefit recipients under the medical assistance program.

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