

Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration

Bureau of TennCare

Chapter 1200-13-14
TennCare Standard

Statement of Necessity Requiring Public Necessity Rules

I am herewith submitting amendments to the rules of the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration, Bureau of TennCare, for promulgation pursuant to the public necessity provisions of the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, T.C.A. § 4-5-209 and the Medical Assistance Act, T.C.A. § 71-5-134.

This rule is being amended to delete language that was inadvertently left in when a public necessity rule was promulgated pointing out that effective January 1, 2006 persons who are determined to be Severely and/or Persistently Mentally Ill are subject to lifetime limitations.

Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-134, states that in order to comply with or to implement the provisions of any federal waiver or state plan amendment obtained pursuant to the Medical Assistance Act as amended by Acts 1993, the Commissioner of Finance and Administration is authorized to promulgate public necessity rules pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-5-209.

I have made a finding that these amendments are required to conform the current TennCare Medicaid rules to reflect changes resulting from the amendment of the TennCare waiver.

For a copy of this public necessity rule, contact George Woods at the Bureau of TennCare by mail at 310 Great Circle Road, Nashville, Tennessee 37243 or by telephone at (615) 507-6446.

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Public Necessity Rules
of
Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration
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Amendment

Paragraph (3) of rule 1200-13-14-.04 Covered Services is deleted in its entirety and replaced with a new paragraph (3) which shall read as follows:

(3) Maximum Lifetime Limitations.

The following maximum lifetime limitations shall apply to the services outlined in paragraph (1) above. The managed care organizations shall not impose service limitations that are more restrictive than those described herein but benefits may be provided in excess of these amounts at the managed care organization's discretion. Determination of these limitations shall be based upon the managed care organization's payments for those services and shall exclude payments made by the enrollee in the form of deductibles, copayments, and/or special fees. Children under age 21 are exempt from limitations on substance abuse services.

Detoxification	Ten (10) days
Substance abuse benefits (Inpatient and outpatient)	\$30,000

Statutory Authority: T.C.A. 4-5-209, 71-5-105, 71-5-109, 71-5-134, Executive Order No. 23.

The Public Necessity rules set out herein were properly filed in the Department of State on the 13th day of March, 2006, and will be effective from the date of filing for a period of 165 days. The Public Necessity rules remain in effect through the 25th day of August, 2006.