

RULE

Department of Health and Hospitals
Office of the Secretary
Bureau of Health Services Financing

Mental Health Rehabilitation Program—Services
for Nursing Facility Residents



The Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of the Secretary, Bureau of Health Services Financing has adopted the following rule in the Medical Assistance program as authorized by R.S. 46:153 and pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act and as directed by the 1995-96 General Appropriation Act, which states: "The secretary shall implement reductions in the Medicaid program and as necessary to control expenditures to the level approved in this schedule. The secretary is hereby directed to utilize various cost containment measures to accomplish these reductions, including but not limited to pre-certification, pre-admission screening, utilization review, and other measures as allowed by federal law". This rule is adopted in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq.

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The Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of the Secretary, Bureau of Health Services Financing requires that a nursing facility resident must be identified as needing specialized mental health services through the pre-admission screening and annual resident review process in order to receive any services under the Mental Health Rehabilitation, Clinic or any other active mental health treatment program.

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Secretary

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