PUBLIC HEALTH—MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

§12903. Covered Services

- A. Personal care services are defined as those services that provide assistance with the distinct tasks associated with the performance of the activities of daily living (ADLs) and the instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs). Assistance may be either the actual performance of the personal care task for the individual or supervision and prompting so the individual performs the task by him/herself. ADLs are those personal, functional activities required by the recipient. ADLs include tasks such as:
 - 1. eating;
 - 2. bathing;
 - 3. dressing;
 - 4. grooming;
- 5. *transferring*—the manner in which an individual moves from one surface to another (excludes getting on and off the toilet, and getting in and out of the tub/shower);
 - 6. ambulation;
 - 7. toileting; and
 - 8. bed mobility.
- B. IADLs are those activities that are considered essential but may not require performance on a daily basis. IADLs cannot be performed in the recipient's home when he/she is absent from the home. IADLs include tasks such as:
 - 1. light housekeeping;
 - 2. food preparation and storage;
 - 3. shopping;
 - 4. laundry;
- 5. assisting with scheduling medical appointments when necessary;
- 6. accompanying the recipient to medical appointments when necessary;
 - 7. assisting the recipient to access transportation; and
- 8. reminding the recipient to take his/her medication as prescribed by the physician; and

- 9. medically non-complex tasks where the direct service worker has received the proper training pursuant to R.S. 37:1031-1034.
- C. Emergency and nonemergency medical transportation is a covered Medicaid service and is available to all recipients. Non-medical transportation is not a required component of personal care services. However, providers may choose to furnish transportation for recipients during the course of providing personal care services. If transportation is furnished, the provider agency must accept any liability for their employee transporting a recipient. It is the responsibility of the provider agency to ensure that the employee has a current, valid driver's license and automobile liability insurance.
- 1. If transportation is furnished, the participant must accept all liability for their employee transporting them. It is the responsibility of the participant to ensure that the employee has a current, valid driver's license and automobile liability insurance.
- D. Constant or intermittent supervision and/or sitter services are not a component of personal care services.
- E. For participants receiving LT-PCS with the Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) Waiver, personal care services may be provided by one worker for up to three long-term personal care service recipients who live together, and who have a common direct service provider.

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