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PASRR: A FOCUS ON PERSON CENTERED RECOMMENDATIONS

PASRR applications (ODM-3622) which require a Level II assessment and determination from OhioMHAS will always offer service recommendations, regardless of the determination outcome. The determination will first identify the placement option that is the most inclusive in which the individual can access needed supports and services. Next, the person-centered recommendations address the services and supports an individual may require, regardless of where the individual resides. For example, a nursing facility resident's recommended services and supports may assist with discharge planning and community integration.



Ohio Department of Health (ODH) is contracted by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) with surveying nursing facilities (NF) in Ohio. During a survey, ODH staff have an opportunity to review PASRR determinations and individual records to ensure NFs are implementing the recommendations in a resident's care plan and to ensure that PASRR records are complete per Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) requirements, such as when an individual admits to a NF or experiences a significant change in condition.

FEDERAL REGULATIONS

There are three Federal (F) Regulation tags connected to PASRR requirements which may be cited on ODH surveys.

- **F644 | Coordination of PASRR Assessments:** Is the facility incorporating Level II recommendations in the resident's care plan and overall plan of care?
- **F645 | PASRR Screening:** This regulation addresses the "basics" of the PASRR process. Is this facility identifying residents with Level II conditions? Are they completing a Resident Review prior to the hospital exemption expiring? Are they requesting timely extensions to time limited approvals? Are they actively engaging in discharge planning for those with received a denial letter?
- **F646 | Significant Change Notification:** Is the facility identifying significant changes in condition and submitting appropriate 3622s following an identified change?

STAFF SPOTLIGHT

REBECCA GRIMM, PASRR QUALITY MANAGER, ASSISTANT BUREAU CHIEF

Rebecca Grimm joined the PASRR Bureau in 2018 and previously served as the Hearings and Appeals Coordinator prior to her appointment as PASRR Quality Manager in 2021. She obtained her Bachelor of Science in Social Work from Ashland University in 2012 and her Masters of Social Work (Community and Social Justice Concentration) from The Ohio State University in 2013.



Rebecca, how would you describe your role in PASRR?

After coming from the Hearing and Appeals role, I oversee the quality improvement process and I work on developing an agenda for best practices as it relates to community outreach and technical assistance for providers and stakeholders.

What has been new for you to learn in your role as Quality Manager?

PASRR has a big learning curve but being familiar already has been a positive. Even in my new role I still find new things to discover, including that quality and clinical reviews go hand in hand. I am focused on internal coordination with staff, partners, and stakeholders and maintaining quality for all the citizens of Ohio.

What is something you are most proud of since joining PASRR?

We see ourselves as advocates for all Ohio residents who are involved in PASRR. I want to say that the teamwork in PASRR makes me proud of what we are able to accomplish on a daily basis.

POLICY REMINDER

RECORD RETENTION

According to state regulations, OAC 5160-3-15.1 (L)(4), the nursing facility shall maintain a copy of the Level I screen (ODM-3622), ***all supporting documentation and results of the Level II determination in the resident's record at the facility.***

Additionally, if a resident transfers to another nursing facility, the admitting facility is responsible for ensuring PASRR requirements are met and that copies of the most recent Level I screen and, if applicable, Level II determination are in the resident's record. In some instances, the admitting facility may need to submit a Resident Review in HENS prior to admission when the resident has no PASRR records from the transferring facility.

ABOUT MAXIMUS

The Clinical Services Division of Maximus, formerly known as Ascend, assists state partners across the country in the management of complex programs to help ensure that individuals with intellectual, behavioral health and developmental disabilities and complex medical conditions receive the appropriate care and supports they need. The Company has provided PASRR assessment services for over 20 years. Maximus has national experience providing federally compliant PASRR programs in 15 states.

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