

Caring for the Frail Elderly in a Value-Based Care Payment Model



Trinity Health PACE is a National Health Ministry of Trinity Health, one of the largest multi-institutional Catholic health care delivery systems in the nation.

Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)—also known as LIFE programs in some states—is a unique service providing a full spectrum of health care services. From primary and acute to long-term care, PACE is available for frail elders who are certified as eligible for nursing home care. PACE services are centered on the belief that there is a higher value and it is better for the wellbeing of seniors with chronic care needs and their families to be served in the community whenever possible.

Committed to honoring the sacredness and dignity of every person by providing access to integrated, high-value health services

PACE cares for the dual (Medicare and Medicaid) eligible, frail elderly participant in their home and community, who would otherwise be placed in a nursing home for care. PACE provides a network of supportive and preventive services that focus on quality, positive health outcomes and value. PACE places focus on providing care and services in the home such as meals, personal-care and light housekeeping to support and maintain the ability of the participant to remain in one's own home. In addition to improving overall health outcomes and satisfaction of care, PACE can reduce health care costs by offering the right care at the right time in the right amount.

Promote provider participation and accountability for better health outcomes

PACE operates a day center and clinic, staffed with physicians and other primary caregivers, while also contracting with select providers throughout the communities served. PACE provides transportation for participants ensuring appointments are kept and necessary services received. Care collaboration among providers is critical to driving positive health outcomes. Holding health care providers accountable by measuring and sharing health outcomes for PACE participants is necessary to supporting change where needed and for rewarding success.

Support population health

Using a capitated payment model, PACE provides all necessary care while taking on 100% of the financial risk. By accepting full financial risk, PACE can ease strains on state Medicaid programs by providing care and services for less than the traditional fee-for-service models for like populations. Delivering the full scale of services needed for this frail population requires a value-based approach by Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) members who focus personcentered care on prevention, current needs and ultimately positive health outcomes.

Increase flexibility in value-based care models to drive desired outcomes

PACE utilizes the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) approach to discuss, identify and direct the services needed for each participant in real time. The participant's goals help drive shared decision-making and an integrated approach to wellness of mind, body, and spirit. This requires that the team knows in detail the daily needs of each participant and utilizes either the PACE care team or a contracted, preferred provider to adequately address each specific need while coordinating all efforts to reach a positive health outcome.

Expand participation in value-based care models

Trinity Health PACE understands that to better serve this frail, elderly population there must be better access. PACE stands as an excellent model of value-based care, yet many states either don't offer it or the state limits its growth. Both of which compromise access. To address this issue, Trinity Health PACE is committed to expanding the program by growth initiatives across our footprint while also working to initiate or expand the program to other states so that deserving seniors can have access to the successful PACE model of care.

TRINITY HEALTH MISSION

We serve together in the spirit of the Gospel as a compassionate and transforming healing presence within our communities.

TRINITY HEALTH CORE VALUES

Reverence • Commitment to Those Who Are Experiencing
Poverty • Safety • Justice • Stewardship • Integrity



Trinity Health PACE supports legislation that expands access to PACE

We ask lawmakers to support legislation that:

- Expands PACE to every state by making the program a mandatory option under the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).
- Permits PACE organizations to enroll participants any time rather than just on the first of the month.
- Extends eligibility for PACE to Medicare-eligible individuals under the age of 55.
- Removes quarterly restrictions for submission of both new PACE organization applications and service area expansion applications.
- Ensures Medicare-only PACE program enrollees have a choice of prescription drug plans under Medicare part D.
- Extends access to our nations veterans by making PACE a mandatory program under the Veterans Administration (VA).
- Ensures that states are adequately reviewing and updating the Medicaid Capitated Rate for PACE at least every two years and providing transparency and outcomes for that review to both CMS and PACE providers.

Trinity Health PACE also believes that to capture the entire scope of care and services for PACE Participants, CMS must update the billing for risk adjustment to a version that includes Dementia as a diagnosis, such as Versions 24 and 28. This would allow the program to bill for care delivered to a dementia participant, a diagnosis that more than half of PACE participants have.



CENTER LOCATIONS

Trinity Health PACE is in 10 states across the nation, with plans underway to add programs in two states.

- Capital Health LIFE, Bordentown, N.J.*
- Eddy SeniorCare, Rotterdam N.Y.
- Eddy SeniorCare, Latham, N.Y.
- LifeCircles PACE, Holland, Mich.
- LifeCircles PACE, Muskegon, Mich.
- LIFE St. Joseph of the Pines, Fayetteville, N.C.
- LIFE St. Mary, Trevose, Pa.
- Mercy LIFE of Alabama, Mobile, Ala.
- Mercy LIFE of Massachusetts, West Springfield, Mass.
- Mercy LIFE Philadelphia, Pa.
 - Broad Street Center
 - Kinder Park Center
 - Norristown Center
 - Sharon Hill Center
 - Valley View, Elwyn, Pa.
 - Assisi House, Aston, Pa.
 - Camilla Hall, Malvern, Pa.
 - McAuley Convent, Merion Station, Pa.
 - Manresa Hall, Merion Station, Pa.
 - Sisters of St. Joseph Villa, Flourtown, Pa
- Mercy LIFE West Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pa.
- Saint Francis LIFE, Newark, Del.
- Saint Francis LIFE, Wilmington, Del.
- Saint Joseph PACE, Mishawaka, Ind.
- Trinity Health LIFE New Jersey, Pennsauken, N.J
- Trinity Health PACE of Pensacola, Pensacola, Fl.
- Trinity Health PACE Alexandria, Alexandria, La. (coming soon)
- Trinity Health PACE Montgomery County, Gaithersburg, Md. (coming soon)

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