

Policy Clarification – Medical Assistance – SSI PMS-17301-391

Submitted: 9/11/14 **Agency:** CAOs

Subject: Personal Care Home (PCH) Supplement for Recipients of the Person/Family Directed Support (P/FDS) Waiver or Adult Autism Waiver (AAW)

Question: Can a resident of a PCH receive both the PCH supplement and services in the P/FDS waiver or AAW concurrently? If so, how will the Medical Evaluation form (MA 51) reflect eligibility for both benefits?

Response By: Division of Health Services

Date: 9/15/14

Yes, a resident of a PCH may receive the PCH supplement while receiving services in the P/FDS Waiver or the AAW. As part of the PCH supplement application process the Area Agency on Aging (AAA) will provide a copy of the MA 51 form. In order to be eligible for this supplement the individual must be verified to have a PCH level of care. In order to be eligible for the P/FDS Waiver the individual must have an Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/ID) level of care. For eligibility in the AAW the individual must have either an ICF/ID or Intermediate Care Facility for Persons with Other Related Conditions (ICF/ORC) level of care. Please be aware that the MA 51 form identifies the ICF/ID level of care as "ICF/MR".

As specified in Medical Assistance Eligibility Handbook Chapter 391, the Area Agency on Aging will send the MA 51 with all other information needed to apply for the PCH supplement to the CAO. For those individuals eligible for both the supplement and the P/FDS waiver or the AAW, the 'other' box in section 20A (Physician's Recommendation) of the MA 51 will be checked. Under this box will be written either 'eligible for PCH and ICF/ID' or for the AAW it could also read 'eligible for PCH and ICF/ORC'. The CAO will continue to receive a completed PA 1768 verifying eligibility for the P/FDS Waiver or the AAW.

Individuals eligible for the PCH supplement and P/FDS Waiver or AAW should be authorized in the appropriate SSI category with program status code 62 to designate eligibility for the supplement. Facility code 76 should be entered on the Facility Placement screen, P/FDS waiver code 68, or AAW waiver code 52 should be entered on the Waiver screen in eCIS.

If you have any questions, please contact your Area Manager.