

What is PACE?

- PACE provides an alternative to nursing home placement that utilizes a comprehensive medical and social service delivery system coordinated through an adult day health center to meet long-term care needs of participants.
- Participants enroll in a capitated managed care benefit funded by Medicare and Medicaid. This benefit provides ALL needed health care, medical care and ancillary services in acute, sub-acute, institutional and community settings. The program is supplemented by in-home and referral services.

What services are provided by the PACE program?

- A team lead by a specialized physician works with participants and their families to assess their needs, develop a care plan and deliver all services – including acute care services and, when necessary, nursing facility services.
- Services include: medical care, including primary and specialty physician and nursing care, medical specialties, including audiology, dentistry, optometry and podiatry, physical and occupational therapies, medical transportation, mental health services, meals, nutritional counseling, social services, home health care and personal care, medications, respite care and hospital and nursing home care when necessary.
- The service package includes all Medicare and Medicaid covered services and other services determined necessary by the PACE team. Sites may pool their resources to pay for services for an individual, including services not otherwise covered by Medicare or Medicaid.

Where are Ohio's PACE Programs?

Ohio has two PACE sites:

- TriHealth SeniorLink, in Cincinnati, serves Hamilton County and certain zip codes in Warren, Butler and Clermont counties. TriHealth also has alternative care settings in Cincinnati: Park Eden and Court Street.
- McGregor PACE, in Cleveland Heights, serves all of Cuyahoga County.

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Who is Eligible for PACE?

PACE Participants must:

- Be age 55 or older;
- Meet financial eligibility criteria (see below); and
- Live in a geographic area served by the PACE site (the Cleveland and Cincinnati areas).

In addition, participants must:

- Have functional limitations that meet the criteria for nursing home level of care;
- Be willing to receive all of their care from PACE program providers; and
- Be able to remain safely in a community setting.

What are the financial eligibility criteria for the PACE program?

- If seeking Medicaid coverage, interested participants must qualify for Medicaid under the institutional financial eligibility standards.
- Individuals on Medicare but not Medicaid - along with those who have the means to cover their own costs - may also access the program.

How do I apply for the PACE program?

Contact the PACE site that serves your area:

- TriHealth SeniorLink: **513-531-5110** or **www.trihealthseniorshealth.com**
- McGregor PACE: **216-791-3580** or **www.mcgregorpace.org**

Where can I learn more about PACE?

- Visit the following Ohio Department of Aging Web page for more information about PACE.
www.aging.ohio.gov/services/pace/

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