

#### IMPORTANCE OF PASRR

PASRR is an important tool for states to use in rebalancing services away from institutions and towards supporting people in their homes and in the least restrictive settings possible.

PASRR can also advance person-centered care planning by assuring that psychological, psychiatric, and functional needs are considered along with personal goals and preferences in planning long term care.

#### WHAT ARE SPECIALIZED SERVICES?

Specialized services may be recommended as part of the outcome of the Level II PASRR process. These services may include evaluation, individual therapy, group therapy, and medication management. If these services are recommended, these services can be requested through the Collaborative.

#### HOW CAN I APPEAL?

In cases of denial, a first level appeal may be submitted to the Collaborative within 10 business days of the decision. A second level appeal may also be submitted within 10 business days. Please submit all requests for appeal via fax to 844.865.5510.





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PREADMISSION SCREENING AND RESIDENT REVIEW FOR NURSING FACILITIES

## LEVEL II REVIEW PROCESS





# What is PASRR?

PreAdmission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) is a federal requirement designed to prevent inappropriate placement of people with mental illness and intellectual disability in nursing facilities. PASRR requires that all applicants to a Medicaid-certified nursing facility:

- be evaluated for mental illness, intellectual disability, and/or related condition;
- 2. be offered the most appropriate setting for their needs (in the community, a nursing facility, or acute care settings);
- 3. receive the services they need in those settings

## WHAT IS THE COLLABORATIVE?

The Georgia Collaborative is a partnership between Beacon Health Options, Behavioral Health Link (BHL) and the Delmarva Foundation whose goal is to provide easy access to high quality care for Georgians receiving behavioral health and developmental disability services. Improving outcomes for individuals, delivering clinically appropriate telephonic crisis intervention, and coordination of systems allows for a seamless service delivery for both providers and the individuals we serve.

#### PASRR REFERRALS

PASRR referrals are made by Georgia Medical Care Foundation/Alliant to the Collaborative if there is evidence of a mental illness, intellectual disability and/or a related condition. This referral initiates the Level II process.

# WHAT DOCUMENTATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED?

When submitting documentation for a Level II review please include the following within 24 hours of the request:

- Medical history, current medications, and physical examination report (within the last year)
- Psychological evaluation, including intelligence testing for individuals with an intellectual disability under age 18, must be current within last 3 years (For 18 and older conducted as needed)
- Functional evaluation if available conducted by a qualified mental health professional

#### NEED MORE INFORMATION ON PASRR?

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#### PASRR WORKFLOW

After the referral for a Level II review is made and the documentation is received the following steps are taken in determining the need for nursing facility level of care:

- If the documentation is not sufficient to provide a determination, a face to face assessment will be scheduled with the individual, family and any facility staff necessary to complete the request.
- 2. Written notification of the determination will be provided no later than the 8<sup>th</sup> business day
- The determination, including a detailed Summary of Findings, will be provided to the individual, representative and the referring provider/facility and nursing home.
- 4. The determination will be one of the following:
  - Skilled Nursing Facility-Approved with specialized services
  - Skilled Nursing Facility-Approved without specialized services
  - Skilled Nursing Facility-Non Approval



