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Home Care Attendant: An Overview

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- Welcome to our Provider Webinar Session about Home Care Attendant Services!
- Thank you for attending this session and assisting us with making it a successful way to provide information.



- **Goals for this session:**
 - An overview of Home Care Attendant Services
 - Due to size of the audience, this will be presentation style.
 - We apologize, but questions will not be taken during the webinar. We will provide you an opportunity to ask questions via email.
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 - We hope this is a convenient way for providers to learn about new concepts and save time and money traveling. This is our first time offering this venue of training. Please be patient with the process.



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- History of the Home Care Attendant Service:
 - 3 years ago a stakeholder group began meeting.
Group included:
 - Consumers, advocates, agency and independent providers, Provider Associations, SEIU representatives, ODJFS representatives, Ohio Nurses Association, and the Ohio Board of Nursing, etc.
 - This service will offer some consumers with another option for receiving nursing services and provide also be a way to provider a step on the career ladder of opportunity for providers.



Home Care Attendant

New Rules

OAC 5101:3-46-04.1

OAC 5101:3-46-06.1

OAC 5101:3-50-04.1

OAC 5101:3-50-06.1



- This service is not available to all consumers on the ODJFS Administered Waivers:
- Waiver enrollment- not available for all waivers;
- Choice of consumer;
- Must have nursing needs;
- Able to direct providers safely;
- Individuals select to provide service and complete tasks safely;
- Authorized Health Care Professional who agrees this is an option for consumer and the selected potential provider can return demonstration of the involved tasks for the consumer.



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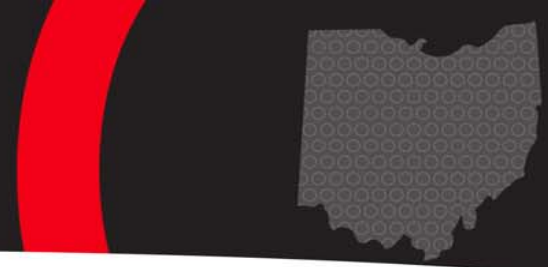
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Applicable to Ohio Home Care Waiver and
Transition Carve-Out Waiver, as well as
having
stable health conditions



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Home Care Attendant

Not available to consumers enrolled on the
Transitions-DD Waiver



Home Care Attendant

Home Care Attendant Services:

- Permit unlicensed individuals (non-agency providers) to assist consumers with:
 - Self administration of medications
 - Performance of certain skilled tasks that would otherwise be completed by a nurse
 - Personal care tasks



Home Care Attendant

Can assist with only certain medications including:

- Oral medications (includes medication administered through a metered dose inhaler)
- Topical medications (includes medication applied to outer skin, including transdermal medications and eye, ear and nose drops, vaginal or rectal suppositories)
- Subcutaneous injections of routine doses of insulin



Home Care Attendant

Can assist with only certain medications including:

- Programming of a pump to administer routine doses of insulin
- Medication via stable, labeled gastrostomy or jejunostomy tubes
- Doses of schedule II, III IV or V drugs only when administered orally or topically



Home Care Attendant

Nursing tasks that Home Care Attendants are **prohibited** from performing are:

- Intravenous insertion, removal, or discontinuation
- Intramuscular injections
- IV medication administration
- Subcutaneous injections (except for routine doses of insulin)



Home Care Attendant

Nursing tasks that Home Care Attendants are **prohibited** from performing are:

- Programming of a pump to deliver medications (including epidural, subcutaneous and IV), except routine doses of insulin
- Insertion or initiation of infusion therapies
- Central line dressing changes



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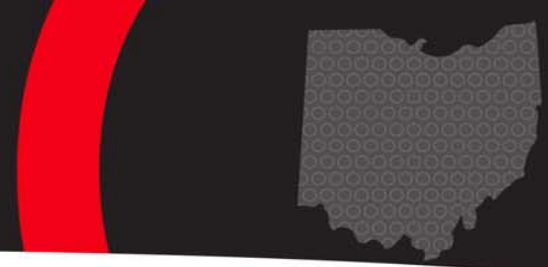
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Personal Care Tasks as defined in OAC
5101:3-46-04 (B) (1) and 5101:3-50-04 (B)
(1) when performed during a home care
attendant service visit.



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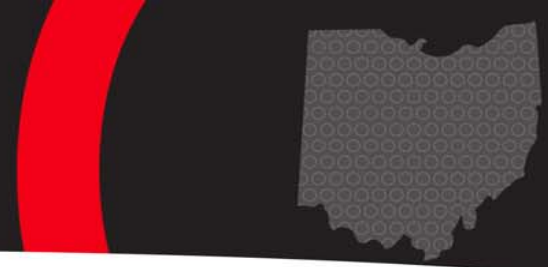
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Home Care Attendant Services are in lieu of nursing services not personal care services.



Home Care Attendant

- Consumer Requirements
 - » Enrolled on OHC Waiver or Transitions Carve Out Waiver
 - » Determined through the assessment process to have nursing needs that can be safely met through HCA.



Home Care Attendant

- Consumer Requirements
 - Consumer must be capable of:
 - » Choosing HCA services over nursing services
 - » Choosing a HCA service provider
 - » Participating in the implementation of the service



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The Consumer cannot also serve as the
Authorizing Health Care Professional



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- **Consumer Requirements**
 - Consumer can designate authorized rep to act on their behalf. Authorized rep must be capable of: choosing HCA services over nursing services, choosing the HCA provider and participating in the implementation of home care attendant services.
 - Consumers who are minors must have an authorized representative (parent, custodian or guardian).



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- **Consumer Requirements**

- » Authorized representative designation must be in writing on appropriate form.
- » Consumer can limit what authorized rep may do on behalf on consumer in regards to home care attendant services.



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- **Consumer Requirements**

- » Authorized representative must be present and awake during the provision of home care attendant services.
- » Home Care Attendant cannot be the consumer's authorized representative.



- **NEW:** Authorized Representatives cannot also serve as the:
 - HCA provider
 - Authorizing Health Care Professional



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- Consumer Requirements
 - Consumer and/or authorized rep must comply with requirements set forth in OAC 5101:3-45-03.



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- Consumer Requirements
 - Consumer must identify an authorizing health care professional
 - Physician or RN who authorizes a home care attendant to assist a consumer with self-administration of medication, nursing tasks or both.
 - Authorized representative, legally responsible family member, legal guardian and foster caregiver are prohibited from being authorizing health care professional.



Home Care Attendant

- Consumer Requirements
 - Must receive written assurance from the authorizing health care professional attesting:
 - » Home Care Attendant has demonstrated ability to perform HCA tasks



Home Care Attendant

- Consumer Requirements
 - Must receive written assurance from the authorizing health care professional attesting:
 - » Consumer and/or authorized rep possess the skills to choose home care attendant services(over skilled nursing services).



Home Care Attendant

- Consumer Requirements
 - Must receive written assurance from the authorizing health care professional attesting:
 - » Consumer and/or authorized rep possess the skills to choose the home care attendant service provider.

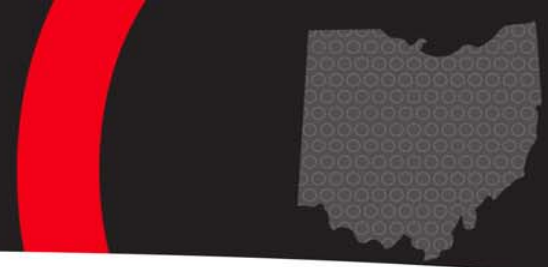


- NEW: Authorizing Health Care Professional cannot also serve as:
 - Authorized Representative
 - HCA



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- Consumer Requirements
 - Consent will be documented on two new forms.
 - » **ODJFS 2389** Home Care Attendant Medication Authorization Form
 - » **ODJFS 2390** Home Care Attendant Nursing Task Authorization Form



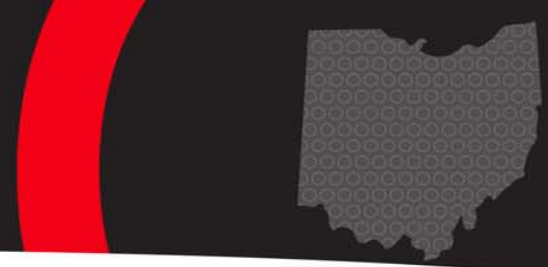
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- Provider Enrollment
 - New Provider Type 26-Home Care Attendant
 - Interested providers will need to complete a new provider application with HCA provider addendum
 - » Required for all providers including existing waiver providers



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- Provider enrollment requirements
 - HCA cannot be the consumer's authorized representative, legally responsible family member, legal guardian or foster caregiver or authorizing health care professional.



Home Care Attendant

- Provider enrollment requirements
 - Must have completed training for a Home Health Aide or other equivalent training approved or conducted by ODH; or
 - Completed a training program approved by ODJFS that includes:
 - » Basic home safety
 - » Universal precautions
 - » Consumer specific personal care aide services
 - » **Labeling, counting and storage requirements for medications**



Home Care Attendant

- Provider enrollment requirements
 - Prior to beginning services received training and instruction on how to deliver the specific home care attendant services authorized by the consumers authorizing health care professional.
 - Training is consumer specific and may be provided by the authorizing health care professional, the consumer and/or the authorized representative.



Home Care Attendant

- Provider enrollment requirements
 - Completed first aid course that is not internet based class
 - Secure the services of an RN for purpose of conducting face-to-face visits with consumer and HCA to serve as a resource and answer any questions the consumer, authorized rep or HCA have about consumer care needs, medications or other issues. **RN Consultant is not the same as a supervising RN.**



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- Provider requirements
 - First visit between home care attendant, consumer, authorized rep and RN shall occur at the initiation of services. The Case Manager must be present during this visit.



Home Care Attendant

- Provider requirements
 - 12 hours of in service continuing education annually
 - Must maintain clinical records
 - Must complete a new provider addendum whenever they are seeking to provide services to an additional consumer



Home Care Attendant

- Reimbursement
 - New Code S5125=Home Care Attendant Services/Nursing
 - » Base Rate=\$33.36
 - » Sub Rate=\$4.17



Home Care Attendant

- Reimbursement
 - New Code S5125=Home Care Attendant Services/Personal Care
 - » Base Rate=\$33.36
 - » Sub Rate=\$3.00
 - » New modifier XY



Application Process

- Will be available at www.ohiohcp.org
- Will current providers need to do a new application? Yes
- Will all provider applicants be eligible to provide HCA? No
- Will all consumers be eligible to receive HCA services? No



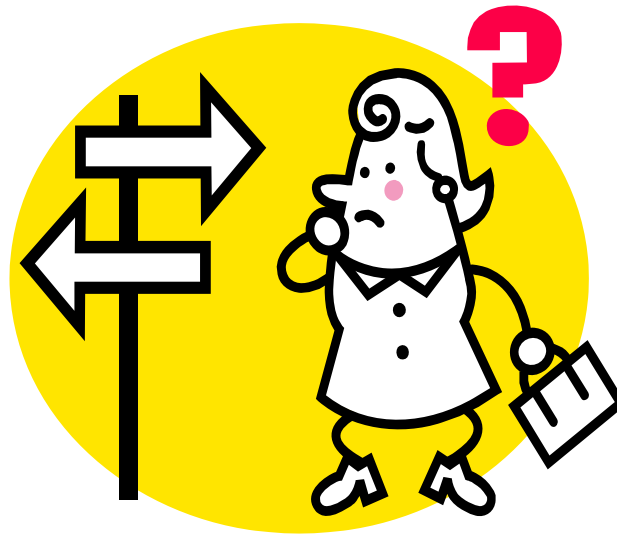
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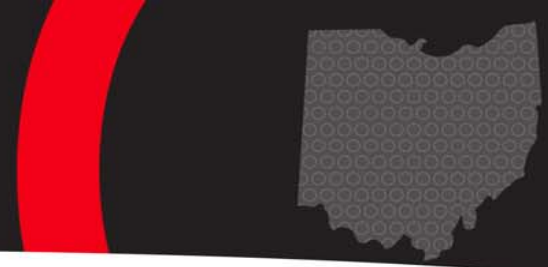
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