Ohio Department of Aging

Program Profile

PASSPORT Medicaid Waiver Program

Pre-Admission Screening System Providing Options & Resources Today

What is the PASSPORT Medicaid Waiver Program?

- This Medicaid waiver program provides services in home and community settings to delay or prevent nursing facility placement.
- Services help preserve the independence of the individual, as well as maintain ties to family and friends.

Who is eligible for PASSPORT?

Eligible participants must:

- Be age 60 or older;
- Need hands-on assistance with dressing, bathing, toileting, grooming, eating or mobility;
- Receive services for which the cost does not exceed 60 percent of the cost of nursing home care;
- Meet financial criteria for Medicaid eligibility (see below); and
- Have their physicians agree to a service plan.

What are the financial eligibility criteria for PASSPORT?

- County Departments of Job and Family Services determine financial eligibility of interested participants.
- Individuals may not have countable assets valued at more than $1,500.
- Monthly income must not exceed 300 percent of the Social Security Insurance benefit.
- Depending on income, participants may be required to pay a *patient liability* each month toward the cost of services.

What services are provided through PASSPORT?

- Services available include: personal care, home delivered meals, adult day care, homemaker, emergency response, medical equipment and supplies, chore, social work counseling, nutritional counseling, independent living assistance and medical transportation.

Continued...

50 W. Broad St./9th Fl.
Columbus, OH 43215-3363

www.aging.ohio.gov
1-800-266-4346

Bonnie Kantor-Burman, Director
John Kasich, Governor

The Ohio Department of Aging is an equal opportunity employer and service provider.

- Participants also receive a Medicaid card that entitles them to Medicaid benefits including: physician care, hospitalization, prescription drugs and many other services.
- Case managers help participants develop a care plan and will monitor and adjust the plan according to the needs of the participant.

How do I apply for PASSPORT?

- Call toll-free **1-866-243-5678** to contact the Area Agency on Aging serving your community for details on how to apply.
- Interested individuals must complete an application, telephone screen and in-person assessment.
- Then, your county Department of Job and Family Services will determine financial eligibility.
- After meeting all eligibility criteria, you will be enrolled (pending slot availability).

Where can I learn more about PASSPORT?

- Visit the following Ohio Department of Aging Web page for more information about the PASSPORT Medicaid Waiver Program. **www.aging.ohio.gov/services/passport/**

Last Updated: January 2011

The Ohio Department of Aging is an equal opportunity employer and service provider.