

The Medicaid Eligibility Worker will reduce the amount the customer pays to the nursing home (called patient liability) for the next month. This provides the customer sufficient income to pay the out-of-pocket, non-covered expense.

Both the customer and the nursing home are notified of the reduced liability so they know how much the resident's next monthly bill should be for nursing home care. Medicaid services billed to the State by the nursing home should be adjusted accordingly.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:

**KANSAS DEPARTMENT ON AGING
NURSING FACILITY/CARE DIVISION
785-296-4986 OR
1-800-432-3535**

**KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND
REHABILITATION SERVICES (SRS)
785-296-3959 OR
1-888-369-4777**

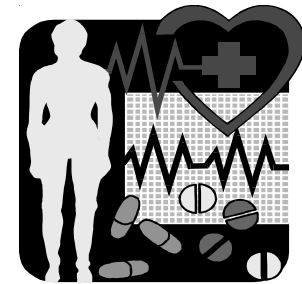
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**Kansas Nursing Home Care
for MEDICAID Residents**

**SERVICES
& SUPPLIES**

**WHAT'S COVERED,
WHAT'S NOT?**

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in cooperation with
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Social & Rehabilitation Services**

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**SERVICES AND SUPPLIES
PROVIDED TO
NURSING HOME RESIDENTS
COVERED BY MEDICAID**

All nursing homes are required to provide the following as routine services and/or supplies:

- General nursing services (for example: physical assessments, assistance with eating, medication management, and wound care)
- Items furnished routinely to all residents, including water pitchers, facial tissues, lotions, shampoo, mouthwash, deodorant, and toothpaste
- Dietary services
- Laundry and linens
- Items expected to be in health facilities, such as heating pads, canes, crutches, walkers, and wheelchairs
- Non-prescription items routinely stocked such as antacids, aspirin, vitamins, and bandages
- Therapy services, including occupational, physical, respiratory, and speech

- Hair and nail care services
- Non-emergency transportation for medical appointments, shopping, and activities
- Recreational/activity services

PLEASE NOTE: *The above list is not intended to be all-inclusive*

**NON-COVERED
SERVICES AND SUPPLIES
PAID FOR BY RESIDENT**

Personal Needs Allowance

Medicaid allows qualified recipients to receive a monthly \$50 personal needs allowance. This allowance may be spent in any way the resident chooses. It is typically used for the following:

- Resident's personal clothing
- Telephone and cablevision
- Sundries
- Gifts
- Fees related to recreational activities outside the building

**Reduction of Resident (Patient)
Liability**

Federal provisions allow Medicaid customers a method to purchase **necessary medical or remedial care** not covered by Kansas medical assistance programs through reduction of the resident's liability. Services and/or supplies allowed in this reduction include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Prescription medications such as benzodiazepines, prescription cough and cold medications, Laclulose, and B-12 injections not covered by the medical card
- Dental care

In order to utilize this allowance, the customer should incur and/or purchase the non-covered, medically-necessary service or supply. It is recommended that the customer check with the local Social and Rehabilitation Services (SRS) office to ensure allowability of a non-covered expense *before* incurring the cost.

The customer should then submit proof of the charge to their local SRS Medicaid Eligibility Worker.