

**WAC 388-71-0720 What is the adult day health center's responsibility in working with the department or their designee to obtain, use and update the CARE assessment?**

(1) The department or an authorized case manager must perform a CARE assessment to determine a client's need for adult day health, per WAC 388-106-0065. Based on the assessment, the case manager determines whether the client should be referred for day health services or whether the client's needs can be met in other ways.

(2) If the client **has** a department or area agency on aging case manager, the adult day health center or other referral source must notify the case manager of the client's potential adult day health service need. The case manager must assess the client's need for skilled nursing or skilled rehabilitative therapy within the department's normal time frames for client reassessments.

(3) If the client **does not have** a department or area agency on aging case manager, the adult day health center or other referral source must notify the department of the referral and the client's potential adult day health service need, or refer the client to the department for intake. The department's assigned case manager must assess the client's need for adult day health services within the department's normal time frames for initial client eligibility assessments.

(4) The case manager may consult with the client's authorized practitioner, department or area agency on aging nursing services staff, or other pertinent collateral contacts, concerning the client's need for skilled nursing or rehabilitative therapy.

(5) If the department or area agency on aging case manager determines and documents a potential unmet need for day health services, the case manager works with the client and/or the client's representative to develop a service plan that documents the potential unmet needs and the anticipated number of days per week that the services are needed. The case manager refers the client to a department contracted adult day health center for evaluation and the development of a preliminary service plan.

(6) The department or area agency on aging case manager must reassess adult day health clients at least annually. Clients must also be reassessed if they have a break in service of more than thirty days. The adult day health center must inform the case manager of the break in service so payment authorization can be discontinued.

(7) COPES, RSW, and RCL recipients of adult day health services must be assessed by the department or an authorized case manager for initial or continued eligibility as follows:

(a) Annual reassessment for department clients; or

(b) A new client to the center who potentially could be eligible for state paid ADH services are to be referred to the local department offices for intake and assessment for eligibility.

(8) The department or area agency on aging case manager must review a client's continued eligibility for adult day health services every ninety days, coinciding with the quarterly review completed by the adult day health program. At the case manager's discretion, additional information will be gathered through face to face, collateral or other contact methods to determine continued eligibility. Services will be continued, adjusted, or terminated based upon the case manager's determination during the eligibility review.

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