

What Does This Mean for Me? Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly

The Department for Medicaid Services (DMS) is expanding options for individuals who need long-term care due to their age. In 2022, DMS began coverage for Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly or PACE.



What is PACE?

If you are age 55 or older and need the level of care provided in a nursing facility but want to live at home, you may benefit from PACE. When you enroll, all your care is provided by a PACE organization.



What is a PACE Organization?

PACE organizations coordinate and provide all care and support you need to live independently at home. This includes your preventive and primary care, acute medical care needs, personal care, therapeutic services, and social services. Services may be provided at the PACE organization center, other healthcare facilities, or in your home. If you need specialty care or a service the PACE organization does not offer, it is responsible to contract with other providers who can meet the need.



Who is Eligible?

You may be eligible if you are:

- Age 55 or older
- Meet nursing facility level of care per [907 KAR 1:022](#)
- Can live safely in the community at the time of enrollment
- Live in an area covered by a PACE organization



How is PACE Paid?

Medicaid and Medicare cover your PACE costs. If you are only Medicare-eligible, you may have to pay a fee. You can also pay privately for PACE services.



How Do I Enroll?

Review the list of [Enrolled PACE organizations](#).

- If you live in an area served by a PACE organization, contact the PACE organization for more information about eligibility and enrollment.
- If you do not live in an area served by a PACE organization, check back as additional counties are being added.



Questions?

If you have questions, contact the Department for Aging and Independent Living at (888) 804-0884 or PACE@ky.gov.