

Sec. 17b-262-731. Need for service

(a) The department shall pay for medically necessary and medically appropriate home health care services only under orders of a licensed practitioner as part of a care plan.

(b) The department shall pay for pregnancy-related preventive prenatal or postpartum nursing care services only if the woman has one, or a combination of, high risk indicators including, but not limited to, the following, which, in the opinion of her licensed practitioner, places the woman at high risk for negative pregnancy outcomes:

- (1) an age under 20;
- (2) an age over 39;
- (3) a late registration for prenatal care that starts after the sixteenth week of gestation;
- (4) no prenatal care;
- (5) a serious weight loss or inadequate weight gain of seven pounds or less;
- (6) a prenatal weight of more than eighty percent above the standard for height and age;
- (7) more than one abortion, or an abortion within three months before the current pregnancy;
- (8) a previous neonatal or fetal death;
- (9) a previous preterm birth;
- (10) an infant with a significant congenital anomaly or central nervous system damage;
- (11) violence or deprivation that was abusive or damaging to the woman or her children;
- (12) active substance abuse or an addiction, or a history of substance abuse or addiction, such as alcohol, drugs or nicotine;
- (13) an active sexually transmitted disease or a history of such a disease;
- (14) diseases or conditions including, but not limited to:
 - (A) human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), including related conditions such as acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) or AIDS related complex (ARC);
 - (B) cancer;
 - (C) acute or chronic cardiac disease;
 - (D) chronic renal disease;
 - (E) a seizure disorder;
 - (F) hypertension, either pre-existing or gestational;
 - (G) mental disorder without social or psychiatric supervision;
 - (H) mental retardation without supervision or support;
 - (I) endocrine or metabolic disorder;
 - (J) hepatitis;
 - (K) multiple sclerosis; or
 - (L) nutritional deficiency; and
- (15) an infant up to sixty days of age with one or a combination of diseases or conditions such as:
 - (A) HIV, including related conditions such as AIDS or ARC;
 - (B) a birth before thirty-six weeks of gestation or a birth weight under two thousand five hundred grams;
 - (C) central nervous system damage;
 - (D) a failure to thrive or a significant infant feeding problem;
 - (E) an admission to a neonatal intensive care unit;

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(F) a sibling who required treatment for recurring apnea or had sudden infant death syndrome;

(G) mental retardation;

(H) neonatal asphyxia;

(I) a seizure disorder;

(J) a significant congenital anomaly; or

(K) a supervising relative under sixteen years of age.

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