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FY16 - Approved

Sec. 61.0285. OPTIONAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES. (a) In addition to basic health care services provided under Section 61.028, a county may, in accordance with department rules adopted under Section 61.006, provide other medically necessary services or supplies that the county determines to be cost-effective, including:

- (2) diabetic and colostomy medical supplies and equipment;

Excerpt from DSHS :

Diabetic Items covered are: test strips, alcohol prep pads, lancets, glucometers, insulin syringes, humulin pens, and needles required for the humulin pens. Insulin syringes, humulin pens, and the needles required for humulin pens are dispensed with a National Dispensing Code (NDC) number and are paid as prescription drugs; they do not count toward the three prescription drugs per month limitation. Insulin and humulin pen refills are prescription drugs (not optional services) and count toward the three prescription drugs per month limitation.

Colostomy Items covered are: cleansing irrigation kits, colostomy bags/pouches, paste or powder, and skin barriers with flange (wafers).

- (7) services provided by physician assistants, nurse practitioners, certified nurse midwives, clinical nurse specialists, and certified registered nurse anesthetists;

- (10) services provided by federally qualified health centers, as defined by 42 U.S.C. Section 1396d(l)(2)(B);

- (13) any other appropriate health care service identified by department rule that may be determined to be cost-effective.

Excerpt from DSHS :

Other medically necessary services or supplies that the local governmental entity determines to be cost effective. Services or supplies must be reasonable and medically necessary for diagnosis and treatment .

Tom Green County: Giving Authority to the Tom Green County Treasurer/Indigent Health Care Director to make these determinations

Tom Green County has established procedures

Local Rules Effective June 1, 2013

- 1) requiring an Indigent Health Care applicant to find and maintain a Primary Care Physician
- 2) requiring Physician Specialist to be used only if referred by the clients Primary Care Physician
- 3) Mandated Providers may only refer patients to non-mandated providers when the service is not available within the mandated providers service ability
- 4) eligible expense -Emergency Room Use for Emergencies as defined by a Physician will be covered under the Indigent Health Care Program
- 5) excluded expense- Emergency Room Use for non –emergencies as defined by a Physician will not be covered under the Indigent Health Care Program
- 6) UPL/Waiver Participants will report Quarterly per the Affiliations Agreements and will only include data up to \$30,000.00 per client in a calendar year from 1st date of service. Services to be included are limited to section 61.028 and 61.0285 and the Tom Green County Indigent Health Care Guideline Book

Effective October 1, 2013 –

- 7) Limit the usage of prescription classification of pain pill type drugs to include a written statement of medical necessity per prescription by authorizing Physician and requires pre-approval.