

Ryan White Part A Quality Management

Outpatient Specialty Medical Care
Service Delivery Model

Palm Beach County

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Statement of Intent

All Ryan White Part A funded practitioners are required by contract to adhere, at a minimum, to the Public Health Service (HHS) Guidelines.

Service Definition

Short term treatment of specialty medical conditions and associated diagnostic procedures for HIV positive patients based upon referral from a primary care provider, physician, physician assistant, registered nurse. Specialties may include, but are not limited to, outpatient rehabilitation, dermatology, oncology, obstetrics and gynecology, urology, podiatry, pediatrics, rheumatology, physical therapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy, developmental assessment, and psychiatry.

Practitioner Definition

Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, and Physician Assistants with current prescribing privileges in the state Florida.

Practitioner Continuing Education Recommendation

Practitioners are strongly encouraged to complete at least 30 hours of HIV-related Continuing Medical Education (CME) Category 1 credits within a period of two years. When a new practitioner is working with a contracted practitioner, new practitioner is encouraged to comply within one year.

Additionally, Practitioners are encouraged to seek certification through the American Academy of HIV Medicine. Information can be found at <http://aahivm.org/>.

Standards of Care

Standard	Indicator	Data Source
1. Coordination of Care	1.1 A referral from the client's primary care physician is required for specialty care services. 1.2 The specialist must communicate, as appropriate, with the primary care physician and client for results, follow-up, and/or to re-evaluate the client in order to coordinate treatment (within 10 business days). 1.3 Providers of these services will also adhere to the Public Health Service Clinical Guidelines for the treatment of HIV/AIDS specific illnesses.	1.1 Documentation of referral 1.2 Documentation in client file 1.3 Documentation of licensure

*Standards of Care are guidelines or flexible directions to be used in the treatment of HIV/AIDS. Departures from these standards may arise due to a client's unique situation and/or based on an experienced professional's judgment.