



PASSPORT

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WHAT IS PASSPORT?

PASSPORT is a statewide Medicaid waiver designed to provide an alternative to nursing home care. Funding is provided by the Ohio Department of Aging and the Federal Government through a Medicaid Waiver.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Upon referral, a Licensed Social Worker or Registered Nurse will visit the applicant to determine needs and provide information about PASSPORT, community-based services or nursing home placement. There is no charge for the assessment. Individuals who are eligible for PASSPORT may receive a range of community-based and in-home services.

AVAILABLE SERVICES INCLUDE:

- ♦ Adult Day Care and Respite Care
- ♦ Personal Care Aide and Homemaker
- ♦ Emergency Response Systems
- ♦ Medical Equipment and Supplies
- ♦ Occupational, Physical, and Speech Therapy
- ♦ Counseling/Social Work
- ♦ Community Transition Services
- ♦ PASSPORT Waiver recipients are also eligible to receive State Plan Medicaid Services such as Nursing, Occupational and Physical Therapies
- ♦ Case Management
- ♦ Home-Delivered Meals
- ♦ Nursing Care
- ♦ Minor Home Modifications/Chore Services
- ♦ Transportation
- ♦ Nutrition Consultation

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- be at least 60 years of age
- be financially eligible under special Medicaid waiver guidelines
- live in a private residence
- require nursing home level of care
- be able to remain in a safe and cost effective home environment
- agree to the home care plan
- have an attending physician approve the plan

HOW TO APPLY

The application process begins with a telephone call to the PASSPORT office at (614) 645-7250 in the Columbus Area or (800) 589-7277 toll free in Ohio. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Referrals and questions are accepted from hospitals, physicians, community agencies, family, friends or individuals requesting help for themselves.

****Enrollment is subject to available funding***