

PASSPORT

Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging

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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

- Case Management
- Home-Delivered Meals
- Nursing Care
- Minor Home Modifications/Chore Services
- Transportation
- Nutrition Consultation
- PASSPORT Waiver recipients are also eligible to receive State Plan Medicaid Services such as Nursing, Occupational and Physical Therapies

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