

HOME HEALTH CARE PROGRAM

The Clinton County Home Health Care Program

Sometimes we all need a little help...whether you or a family member have a chronic or acute illness, are in need of physical therapy, suffered an injury due to an accident, or are in need of understanding nutrition and your health.

Our purpose is to help people help themselves to health and wellness. Working together with your physician, the Clinton County Health Department provides direct care and stresses preventive health care – teaching you to care for yourself; to help you avoid future illness or cope with long term illness.

The Clinton County Home Health Care program is here for you. Take a moment to review our services, and the requirements for obtaining those services.

What Services Are Available?

Nurses
Home Health Aides
Long Term Home Health Care Program
Physical Therapists
Speech Therapists
Occupational Therapists
Registered Dietitians
Medical Social Workers
Respiratory Therapists
Personal Care Aides

How Much Does it Cost?

There is no charge for our initial home visit to assess for home care services if the patient is not admitted to our services.

There is a charge for our services. Payment is made from various sources, such as Medicare, Medicaid, Veterans, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Worker's Compensation, Liability, Major Medical, NYS Empire Plan, etc.

We will bill your insurance for you. You will be asked to supply us with signed insurance forms. If you have no insurance, you may apply for an adjusted fee. However, you will be responsible to pay (at the adjusted fee) for any services rendered which your private insurance refuses to pay.

Medicare, and many of the private insurance, will cover services in full for a limited period of time. The patient has to be unable to leave their home and be medically unstable as documented by the doctor and the public health nurse. Services are intermittent, meaning 2 to 3 times a week depending upon your condition.

Availability of Services

Requests for service may come from doctors or hospital discharge planners. All clients need a local doctor. Home visits on weekends and holidays can be made by prior arrangement. Services are available to any resident in the county. Detailed travel directions are important. The duration of home care services depends on the patient's changing condition and needs.

Aide Services are available after the nurse has made the initial visit and has requested service. Aide Service is based on nurse – assessed need and availability of aides by the Contracting Aide Agencies.

The aide agencies initially provide as much time as possible until the maximum time requested is available. You may experience three types of aide changes:

- 1) Change in aide personnel
- 2) Change in time of arrival
- 3) Change in amounts of time received

All services are supplemental to the physician's care plan.

ALL SERVICES VARY ACCORDING TO NEED AND AVAILABILITY.

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