

West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources

Pre-Admission Screening (PAS)

The **PAS** is tool used to determine if a person meets Nursing Home Level of Care criteria.

The **PAS** covers areas such as following:

1. **Demographic Information**- name, address, date of birth, gender, marital status, any type of guardianship etc.

2. **Medical Assessment**-An individual must have at least 5 deficits from the list below and at certain level criteria for each.

- Decubitus - Stage 3 or 4
- In the event of an emergency, the individual is c) mentally unable or d) physically unable to vacate a building. a) *Independently* and b) *With Supervision* are not considered deficits.

(Functional abilities of individual in the home):

- Eating - Level 2 or higher (physical assistance to get nourishment, not preparation)
- Bathing - Level 2 or higher (physical assistance or more)
- Grooming - Level 2 or higher (physical assistance or more)
- Dressing - Level 2 or higher (physical assistance or more)
- Continence - Level 3 or higher (must be incontinent)
- Orientation - Level 3 or higher (totally disoriented, comatose)
- Transfer - Level 3 or higher (one person or two persons assist in the home)
- Walking - Level 3 or higher (one person assist in the home)
- Wheeling - Level 3 or higher (must be Level 3 or 4 on walking in the home to use level 3 or 4 for wheeling in the home). Do not count outside the home.
- Vision-Level 3 or higher (Impaired/Not Correctable)
- Hearing-Level 3 or higher (Impaired/Not Correctable)
- Communication-Level 3 or higher (Understandable with aids)
- The person has skilled needs in one or more of these areas: (a) Physical therapy, (b) Speech Therapy, (c) Occupational Therapy, (g) suctioning, (h) tracheostomy, (i) ventilator, (k) parenteral fluids, (l) sterile dressings, or (m) irrigations.
- The person is not capable of administering his/her own medications or needs prompting/supervision
- Clinical and Psychological Data-behaviors-(f) Disoriented, (k) Seriously Impaired Judgment, (m) Cannot communicate basic needs, (p) Physically Dangerous to Self and Others, If Unsupervised