

CANDIDATES SOUGHT TO PARTICIPATE ON THE PACE DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

CalOptima is developing its first Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE). PACE is a model of integrated care which is a combination of health plan and direct service provider. This program will help frail seniors to remain living at home instead of being institutionalized. An individualized care plan is developed and care is coordinated by an interdisciplinary team with each member and family.

Pace participants receive care primarily through the PACE program on site, but also at home, and in acute care settings. The PACE Center is licensed as both an Adult Day Health Center (ADHC) and a primary care clinic. Therapies, medical care, meals, and personal care are all provided at the PACE Center.

PACE serves those who are 55 years of age or older, are residents of Orange County, are certified as needing nursing home level of care and can live safely in the community at enrollment.

CalOptima is establishing a PACE Development Advisory Committee (PDAC) to assist in the development of CalOptima's PACE program. The PDAC will advise CalOptima on:

- Outreach for and education about the PACE program
- Development of PACE services
- Strategic development of current and future PACE sites
- Other program and policy development issues related to the PACE program

At this time CalOptima seeks individuals to serve as PDAC members representing the following constituencies:

- Consumers: Individuals who represent frail and disabled older adults and/or their caregivers (may, but does not have to, be a CalOptima member) (up to four seats)
- Clinical Direct Service Providers: Individuals who represent direct care service providers for frail and disabled older adults in clinical and/or residential settings. Examples include adult day programs, nursing homes, physicians, social workers, etc. (up to three seats)
- Non-Clinical Service Providers and other Home and Community-Based Service Providers: Individuals who represent agencies or organizations that support or advocate on behalf of frail and disabled older adults or their service providers. Examples include coalitions, associations, government agencies, etc. (up to two seats)

PDAC Members serve for a one year term, with possible extension, on a voluntary basis and receive no salary. Due to the critical nature of establishing PACE, committee members will be expected to regularly attend at least monthly meetings. Meetings are tentatively scheduled for the third Tuesday of each month.

Applications must be received by 5 p.m. Friday, May 20, 2011. Mail, e-mail, or deliver applications to: CalOptima, 1120 West La Veta Avenue, Suite 200, Orange, CA 92868, Attn. Peerapong Tantameng or ptantameng@caloptima.org. For more information, please call 1-714-246-8646.