

INTRODUCTION

- The CMS GUIDE Model is designed to enhance dementia care through coordinated services.
- Helps case managers, social workers, and nurses connect patients and caregivers to support programs.
- Goal: Improve care access, reduce caregiver burden, delay institutionalization, and to keep patients with dementia as high functioning and as independent for as long as possible.

WHY THE GUIDE MODEL?

- Over 6 million Americans live with dementia.
- Many families struggle with navigating care options.
- GUIDE provides structured support to improve quality of life and reduce crisis situations.

KEY COMPONENTS OF THE GUIDE MODEL

- 1. Multidisciplinary Care Teams
- 2. Comprehensive Care Planning
- 3. Caregiver Support & Respite Services
- 4. 24/7 Access to Assistance

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5. Home and Community-Based Services

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MULTIDISCIPLINARY CARE TEAMS

- Consist of clinicians, nurses, social workers, and care navigators.
- Work collaboratively to provide seamless care coordination.
- Ensure appropriate referrals and follow-ups.
- Improve communication across healthcare settings.

MULTIDISCIPLINARY CARE TEAMS

At the NeuroPsych Center of Greater Cincinnati our multidisciplinary team also consists of more priority and direct access to a variety of "dementia experts" including neuropsychologists, geriatric psychiatrists and psychiatric nurse practitioners, clinical psychologists, licensed independent social workers (LISWs) and professional counselors all with significant training and experience with dementia, caregivers and geriatrics.

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COMPREHENSIVE CARE PLANNING

- Develops personalized care plans for each patient.
- Integrates medical, behavioral, and social support services.
- Facilitates timely access to necessary resources.

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CAREGIVER SUPPORT & RESPITE SERVICES

- Offers education and resources to help caregivers manage responsibilities.
- Provides respite services to alleviate caregiver
- Encourages caregiver well-being to improve patient outcomes.

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24/7 ACCESS TO ASSISTANCE

- Ensures dementia patients and caregivers receive continuous support.
- Reduces unnecessary ER visits and hospitalizations.
- Promotes safety and well-being at home.
- Supports continuity of care at home.

HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED **SERVICES**

- Assists patients in remaining at home longer.
- Connects families to community programs like adult day centers and meal services.
- Focuses on improving daily living and independence.

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RESPITE AND HOME MODIFICATION BENEFITS

*Eligible patients may receive up to \$2,500 in respite services per year, including:

Adult day programs

- Non-medical companionship services
- Short-term respite stays in residential facilities

Patients may also receive up to \$1,000 for home modifications, which can include:

- Installation of safety equipment (grab bars, ramps, etc.)

 Home modifications to improve accessibility

 Enhancements to support independent living

*These services help caregivers manage responsibilities while ensuring patient safety and comfort at home.

PAYMENT AND REIMBURSEMENT

- GUIDE operates using a value-based payment model ensuring quality care while controlling costs.
- Encourages high-quality, coordinated care to improve patient well-being.
- Supports providers in delivering efficient and effective
- Encourages providers to deliver holistic care.

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WHO BENEFITS?

- Patients: Access to comprehensive dementia care services.
- Caregivers: Support resources and respite care to prevent burnout.
- **Providers:** Structured framework to improve care coordination.

HOW YOU CAN REFER PATIENTS

- . Identify eligible patients with dementia who could benefit from GUIDE services.
- Educate caregivers on available support options.
- Collaborate with GUIDE care teams to facilitate seamless enrollment.

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PATIENT ELIGIBILITY FOR THE GUIDE MODEL

- *Must be a Medicare beneficiary diagnosed with dementia.
- •Must live in a home or community-based setting (not in a nursing home).
- Patients and caregivers (if available) must be willing to engage with the GUIDE care team for support and services.

WHAT IF YOU HAVE PATIENTS WITHOUT TRADITIONAL MEDICARE?

GUIDE Model is part of NCGC's Dementia Support Complete (DSC) and Healthy Brains programs

- ^aProgram essentially provides all of the services outlined for the GUIDE Model including 24/7 availability
- Paid for by most insurance plans including Medicare Advantage plans (copays do apply)
- Patients not eligible for respite or home modification payments

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SUMMARY & NEXT STEPS

- GUIDE Model offers comprehensive dementia care solutions.
- Case managers, social workers, and nurses play a key role in referring patients.
- Encourage participation by informing families about available support.

Q&A

- Open for discussion and questions.
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