



Preventive Level of Care

This fact sheet describes the *Preventive Level of Care (LOC)* and services that may be available for individuals who have Medicaid coverage and have needs as described below.

Eligibility

In addition to being eligible for Medicaid, an individual must meet the Preventive Level of Care criteria. It includes having a chronic illness or disability that requires, at a minimum:

- Supervision with 2 or more activities of daily living (ADL's)- such as, bathing, eating, dressing, toileting, and ambulation/transfers OR
- Extensive or greater assistance with at least 3 instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs) such as meal preparation, laundry, shopping, and cleaning.

There must be no other person or agency available to perform these services. The criteria will be based on (1) a physician or other licensed practitioner's assessment and (2) a DHS caseworker or EOHHS' nurse's assessment.

Preventive Services

The following services may be available depending on a person's needs:

- *Limited CNA/ Homemaker Services*- includes help with general household tasks such as meal preparation and routine household care. These services may be available when a person can no longer do these tasks on their own and has no other person available to help. Limited personal care may also be available. Maximum hours available are 6 hrs per week for an individual or 10 hrs per week for a household with two or more eligible individuals.
- *Minor Environmental Modifications*- may be available to an individual to facilitate independence and the ability to live at home or in the community safely. They may include: grab bars, versa frame (toilet safety frame), handheld shower and/or diverter valve, raised toilet seats, simple devices, such as: eating utensils, a transfer bath bench, shower chair, aids for personal care (e.g. reachers) and standing poles.

How to Apply

Contact: the **DHS Long Term Care Office** if you currently have Medicaid coverage and receive SSI benefits:

Providence. 415-8524, E. Providence 415-8459, Cranston 462-5182, Newport 851-2100, Woonsocket 235-6241.

OR

Contact: The **Office of Community Programs** at 462-6393 if you have Medicaid coverage, but not SSI.