Cleveland TGA Service Definition

For each funded service, a Cleveland TGA definition has been developed based on guidelines provided by HRSA, the intent of the local Planning Council and standards of practice determined by the grantee.

Please note: The Ryan White Part A Program is the "payer of last resort." This means providers must make reasonable efforts to identify and secure other funding sources outside of Ryan White legislation funds, whenever possible. Part A funds are intended to be "the payer of last resort" for the provision of care. Providers are responsible for verifying an individual's eligibility by investigating and eliminating all other potential billing sources for each service, including public insurance programs, or private insurance. Part A funds may not be used to supplant partial reimbursements from other sources to make up any un-reimbursed portion of the cost of such services.

CORE SERVICE:

Service: Medical Case Management

Medical Case Management is the provision of a range of client-centered activities focused on improving health outcomes in support of the HIV care continuum. Activities may be prescribed by an interdisciplinary team that includes other specialty care providers. Medical Case Management includes all types of case management encounters (e.g., face-to-face, phone contact, and any other forms of communication). Key activities include:

- Initial assessment of service needs
- Development of a comprehensive, individualized care plan
- Timely and coordinated access to medically appropriate levels of health and support services and continuity of care
- Continuous client monitoring to assess the efficacy of the care plan
- Re-evaluation of the care plan at least every 6 months with adaptations as necessary
- Ongoing assessment of the client's and other key family members' needs and personal support systems
- Treatment adherence counseling to ensure readiness for and adherence to complex HIV treatments
- Client-specific advocacy and/or review of utilization of services

In addition to providing the medically oriented services above, Medical Case Management may also provide benefits counseling by assisting eligible clients in obtaining access to other public and private programs for which they may be eligible (e.g., Medicaid, Medicare Part D, State Pharmacy Assistance Programs, Pharmaceutical Manufacturer's Patient Assistance Programs, other state or local health care and supportive services, and insurance plans through the health insurance Marketplaces/Exchanges).

Individuals providing medical case management must be a licensed social worker and are expected to have specialized training in medical case management models.

Medical Case Management includes all provisions listed above and requires a patient whose acuity level requires the case manager also manage their medical care, schedule and monitor medical appointments, lab work, medication treatment adherence, other indicated services including dietician, mental health and substance abuse screenings/treatment and other supports.

Unit of Service: 1 unit = 15 minute client encounter