

Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)

What is PACE?

The PACE program provides a full service delivery system that includes patient-centered and coordinated care to frail and elderly individuals living in the community.

Services include preventive, primary, short-term and long-term care services. For most people, the program allows them to continue living at home while receiving services.

The PACE program is the sole payment source of services for Medicare and Medicaid eligible enrollees. PACE providers assume full financial risk for participants' care without limits on amount, duration or scope of services.

PACE providers receive a set amount of money on a monthly basis for each eligible Medicare and Medicaid enrollee. The average monthly Medicaid payment for a PACE participant is around \$5,000.

Who Can Participate?

Eligibility requirements include:

- Be at least 55 years old,
- Qualify for nursing home level of care,
- Live within a PACE service area
- Be able to live safely at home at the time of enrollment.

Services

The main goal of the PACE program is to help people remain in their home and community and enhance their quality of life.

At the time of enrollment, PACE may be an alternative to assisted living or nursing home placement.

Once enrolled in PACE, if a PACE participant needs nursing home, assisted living or basic care placement, they do NOT have to disenroll from PACE to receive those services.

A PACE team of professionals from different health care services assesses a person's needs, develops a care plan, and delivers all health care services, including short-term care and long-term care services, as needed.

Services that must be provided include:

- primary care services,
- social services,
- restorative therapies, including physical and occupational therapies,
- personal care and supportive services,
- nutritional counseling,
- recreational therapy and meals.

The services are provided mainly in the PACE center but can also be provided in-home or by referral services, as needed.

Participation in the PACE program is voluntary.

Contact Information for Current Locations

For more information or to enroll in the program, contact Northland PACE:

- Bismarck: 701-751-3050
- Dickinson: 701-456-7387
- Fargo: 701-412-2081
- Minot: 701-857-8045
- Toll Free: 888-883-8959