

Part 199.17

TRICARE Program

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(a) Establishment.

- (1) Purpose.
- (2) Statutory authority.
- (3) Scope of the program.
- (4) Rules and procedures affected.
- (5) Implementation based on local action.
- (6) Major features of the TRICARE program.
 - (i) Beneficiary categories.
 - (ii) Health plans available.
 - (A) TRICARE Prime.
 - (B) TRICARE Select.
 - (C) TRICARE for Life.
 - (D) TRICARE Standard.
 - (iii) Comprehensive enrollment system.
- (7) Preemption of State laws.

(b) TRICARE Prime and TRICARE Select health plans in general.

- (1) TRICARE Prime.
- (2) TRICARE Select.

(c) Eligibility for enrollment in TRICARE Prime and TRICARE Select.

- (1) Active duty members.
- (2) Dependents of active duty members.
- (3) Survivors of deceased members.
- (4) Retired, dependents of retirees, and survivors (other than survivors of deceased members covered under paragraph (c)(3) of this section).

(d) Health benefits under TRICARE Prime--

- (1) Military treatment facility (MTF) care--
 - (i) In general.
 - (ii) Special provisions.
- (2) Non-MTF care for active duty members.
- (3) Civilian sector Prime benefits.

(e) Health benefits under the TRICARE extra plan--

- (1) Civilian sector care.
- (2) Military treatment facility (MTF) care.

- (f) Benefits under TRICARE Prime and TRICARE Select--**
 - (1) In general.
 - (2) Preventive care services.
 - (3) Treatment of obesity.
 - (4) High value services.
 - (5) Other services.

- (g) TRICARE Prime Remote for Active Duty Family Members--**
 - (1) In general.
 - (2) Active duty family member.
 - (3) Eligibility.
 - (4) Enrollment.
 - (5) Health care management requirements under TRICARE Prime Remote for Active Duty Family Members.
 - (6) Cost sharing.

- (h) Resource sharing agreements.**

- (i) General quality assurance, utilization review, and preauthorization requirements under the TRICARE program.**

- (j) Pharmacy services.**

- (k) Design of cost sharing structures under TRICARE Prime and TRICARE Select--**
 - (1) In general.
 - (2) Categories of health care services.
 - (i) Preventive care visits.
 - (ii) Primary care outpatient visits.
 - (iii) Specialty care outpatient visits.
 - (iv) Emergency room visits.
 - (v) Urgent care center visits.
 - (vi) Ambulance services.
 - (vii) Ambulatory surgery.
 - (viii) Inpatient hospital admissions.
 - (ix) Skilled nursing facility or rehabilitation facility admissions.
 - (x) Durable medical equipment, prosthetic devices, and other authorized supplies.
 - (xi) Outpatient prescription pharmaceuticals.
 - (3) Beneficiary categories further subdivided.

- (l) Enrollment fees and cost sharing (including deductibles and catastrophic cap) amounts.**
 - (1) Enrollment fee and cost sharing under TRICARE Prime.
 - (2) Enrollment fee and cost sharing under TRICARE Select.
 - (3) Special cost-sharing rules.
 - (4) Special transition rule for the last quarter of calendar year 2017.

- (m) Limit on out-of-pocket costs under TRICARE Prime and TRICARE Select.**

- (n) **Additional health care management requirements under TRICARE Prime.**
 - (1) Primary care manager.
 - (2) Referral and preauthorization requirements.
 - (3) Restrictions on the use of providers.
 - (4) Point-of-service option.
 - (5) Prime travel benefit.

- (o) **TRICARE program enrollment procedures.**
 - (1) Annual open season enrollment.
 - (2) Exceptions to the calendar year enrollment process.
 - (3) Installment payments of enrollment fee.
 - (4) Effect of failure to enroll.
 - (5) Automatic enrollment for certain dependents.
 - (6) Grace periods.

- (p) **Civilian preferred provider networks.**
 - (1) Status of network providers.
 - (2) Utilization management policies.
 - (3) Quality assurance requirements.
 - (4) Provider qualifications.
 - (5) Access standards.
 - (6) Special reimbursement methods for network providers.

- (q) **Preferred provider network establishment.**

- (r) **General fraud, abuse, and conflict of interest requirements under TRICARE program.**

- (s) **[Reserved]**

- (t) **Inclusion of Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers in TRICARE networks.**

- (u) **Care provided outside the United States.**
 - (1) TRICARE Prime.
 - (2) TRICARE Select.
 - (3) TRICARE for Life.

- (v) **Administration of the TRICARE program in the state of Alaska.**

- (w) **Administrative procedures.**

