

**State of Mississippi**

**DESCRIPTIONS OF LIMITATION AS TO AMOUNT, DURATION AND SCOPE OF  
MEDICAL CARE AND SERVICES PROVIDED**

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7.A, B., & D. Home Health Care Services: Limited to a combined total of twenty-five (25) visits per fiscal year for intermittent or part-time nursing service provided by a home health agency (or a registered nurse when no home health agency exists in the area), or home health aide services provided by a home health agency. Physical therapy, speech pathology services, occupational therapy and audiology services provided by a home health agency are not covered. Home health aide services may be provided without a requirement for skilled services.

The home health agency must be certified to participate as a home health agency under Title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act, and meet all applicable state laws and requirements.

For skilled nursing services, the registered nurse must be a graduate of an approved school of professional nursing, who is licensed as a registered nurse by the State in which practicing.

For aide services, the home health aide must be a non-professional individual who has successfully completed a state-established or other home health aide training program. The home health aide provides personal care services under the supervision of a registered nurse.

7.C. Medical Supplies, Equipment, and Appliances Suitable for Use in the Home: Medical supplies, equipment, and appliances are provided if they (1) are relevant to the beneficiary's plan of care, (2) are medically necessary, (3) primarily serve a medical purpose, (4) have therapeutic or diagnostic characteristics enabling a patient to effectively carry out a physician's prescribed treatment for illness, injury, or disease, and (5) are appropriate for use in the patient's home. These items must be prescribed by a physician or other individual practitioner authorized under state law to prescribe such items and must be prior authorized unless specifically exempted from this requirement. Equipment and appliances must be provided through qualified DME providers. Medical supplies may be provided through a qualified home health agency or DME provider. Medical supplies, equipment, and appliances may be provided regardless of whether a beneficiary is receiving services from a home health agency.