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The TRICARE Management Activity has authorized the following change(s) to 6010.49-M, reissued July 1992.

PAGE CHANGE(S): Part 2, Chapter 20, Addendum N.

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SUMMARY OF CHANGE(S): This change extends TRICARE Senior Prime (TSP) through December 31, 2001. It also revises the residence requirement, updates the process for retroactive enrollment and revises the length of time an enrollee is allowed to live outside the approved service area. See the summary of changes for a complete list of changes.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION: The effective date is January 1, 2001. Implementation is upon the direction of the Contracting officer.

This change is made in conjunction with ADP Manual Change No. 15.

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SUMMARY OF CHANGES

CHAPTER 20 - Addendum N

1. Page 2.20.N-1. Extended the demonstration through December 31, 2001.
2. Page 2.20.N-3. Corrected “lock-out” to read “lock-in”.
3. Page 2.20.N-4. Clarified Medicare eligibility.
4. Page 2.20.N-5. Changed applicant response time to verify information from 35 days to 30 days. Changed applicant response time to the notice that their application is incomplete from 35 days to 45 days.
5. Page 2.20.N-6. Added language that the applicant be informed of the lock-in requirements of the TSP program.
6. Page 2.20.N-7. Changed the requirement to reflect that enrollees with an effective enrollment date of January 1, 2001, must reside within the approved geographic service area. Defined Medicare eligibility on the basis of age.
7. Page 2.20.N-9. Clarified that applications are also to be verified.
8. Page 2.20.N-10. Updated process for retroactive enrollment in accordance with HCFA OPL 99.100.
9. Page 2.20.N-11. Changed the requirement of living outside the approved service area from 12 months to 6 months in accordance with HCFA 422.74.
10. Page 2.20.N-12. Deleted items 10.a.(4) and (5) because they are redundant to the language provided in subparagraph 10.a.(1). Clarified the referral language to more accurately reflect the procedure for referrals in the TRICARE system.
11. Page 2.20.N-15. Clarified applicable rules and regulations regarding coordination of benefits since DoD OHI rules do not apply for TSP enrollees.
12. Page 2.20.N-16. Changed the word “care” to “services”. Clarified that the first eight mental health visits when provided by a network provider are outpatient visits.
13. Page 2.20.N-17. Changed the word “enrollee” to “beneficiary”.
14. Page 2.20.N-18. Clarified the appropriate action for the delayed processing of clean and non-clean claims. Changed the word “care” to “service”.
15. Page 2.20.N-40. Replaced the security and privacy requirement language with the ADP Manual reference.
16. Page 2.20.N-51. Changed the requirement of living outside the approved service area from 12 months to 6 months in accordance with HCFA 422.74.
17. Globally changed “health plan” to “M+CO”.
18. Globally changed “Notice of Noncoverage” to “Notices of Discharge and Medicare Appeal Rights (NODMAR)”.

