

Providing Services in the Northwestern
Pennsylvania Counties Of:

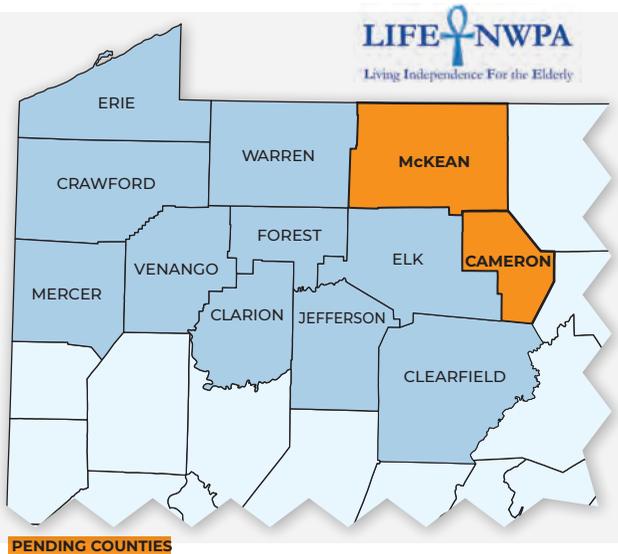
Erie **Forest**

Crawford **Venango**

Mercer **Jefferson**

Warren **Elk**

Clarion **Clearfield**



Some zip codes cross county lines.
Participants residing in one of these
residential zip codes must join the LIFE
provider in their county of residence.



HELPING SENIORS STAY AT HOME



LIFE Begins at 55!

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Our LIFE Story.....

The LIFE-Northwestern Pennsylvania (LIFE-NWPA) model, which is nationally known as The Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE), can be traced to the 1970's, when the North Beach community of San Francisco saw the pressing needs for long term care of families whose elders had immigrated to the area. From that need, a successful community-based system of care was born.

LIFE-NWPA is centered around the same successful belief that it is better for the health of seniors with chronic care needs, and their families, to be served in their homes and communities whenever possible.

LIFE-NWPA participants must be certified by The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to need nursing home care. LIFE-NWPA participants may be able to delay or eliminate the move to a nursing home. In fact, only about seven percent of LIFE participants nationally reside in a nursing home. If a LIFE enrollee does need nursing home care, the LIFE program pays* for it and continues to coordinate the enrollee's care.

LIFE-NWPA is committed to assisting older Pennsylvanians in maintaining self-respect and independence in their lives by fostering the essentials of a quality life within the needs of the individual by utilizing the environment of a holistic approach to medical and social services.

LIFE-NWPA endorses a nondiscriminatory policy as to its operations such that it shall operate without regard to age sex, race, color, religion, national origin or handicap.

*If you are admitted to a nursing facility you may be liable for a patient pay amount as determined by the State of Pennsylvania. Additionally, a LIFE participant may be fully liable for the cost of medical services from an out-of-network provider or without previous authorization (except for emergency services).

Parts of Your Approved Care Plan May Include:

- * Environmental Modifications
- * Primary Care & Medical Specialists
- * Transportation
- * In-Home Care & Social Services
- * Adult Day Services
- * Physical & Occupational Therapies
- * Hospitalization
- * Emergency Care
- * Prescription Drugs
- * Medical Equipment & Supplies
- * Lab & X-Ray
- * Nursing Home Services
- * Nutrition Counseling
- * Socialization & Activities



- **NO DEDUCTIBLES**
- **NO CO-PAYMENTS**
- **NO HIDDEN COSTS**

For any drug, service, or care approved by your health care team.

What you pay for LIFE is dependent on your Medicare and Medicaid eligibility. If you don't have Medicare or Medicaid, you can pay for LIFE privately.

Most importantly, seniors who choose LIFE-NWPA, continue to live in their own homes for as long as possible with the help of an inter-disciplinary team instead of having to manage their care by themselves

Even though the goal of LIFE is to work with people lifelong to keep them in their own homes through cohesive service planning and delivery, participants are able to dis-enroll and resume their care in regular Medicare and Medicaid programs.



Attention: If you speak Spanish or Chinese, free language assistance services are available to you. Contact Language Line Services: 1 Lower Ragsdale Drive Bldg. 2 Monterey CA 93940 or 800-752-6096 (TTY: 711).

ATENCIÓN: si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 1-800-752-6096 (TTY: 711).

注意:如果您使用繁體中文, 您可以免費獲得語言援助服務。請致電 1-800-752-6096 (TTY: 711)

This information is available in alternate languages with request to LIFE-NWPA.

LIFE-NWPA's team of physicians, nurses, personal care assistants, activities staff, therapists, social workers, dietitians, transportation and spiritual support workers provide the base of how an "Individualized Care Plan" will be administered.

Prior to enrollment, participants meet with the physician, nurse, social worker, dietician, and rehabilitation coordinator. After enrollment, the same care plan team meets at least every 6 months to make changes, as needed, to the care plan that match the goals and needs of the participant and the program.

Even transportation is taken care of. Whether it is to and from the Day Center or to and from medical and healthcare appointments away from the center or your home.

Unlike other waiver programs, LIFE approaches care from a holistic perspective that makes sure that care becomes all-inclusive. This ongoing all-inclusive care planning approach ensures that the specific needs of LIFE participants are being met. This helps participants be able to live in their own homes as long, and as safely, as possible.

BASIC ENROLLMENT CRITERIA:

1. Age 55 or older;
2. Certified by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as eligible for nursing home level of care;
3. Residents of Erie, Crawford, Mercer, Warren, Clarion, Venango, Forest, Jefferson, Elk and Clearfield Counties in which LIFE-NWPA is operating, with the permission of CMS and the PA-DHS;
4. And, at the point of enrollment, can be, and is willing to be, safely cared for in a community setting by LIFE-NWPA and its network of providers. LIFE participants must receive all needed healthcare services, including primary care and specialist services (other than emergency services) from LIFE or an entity authorized by LIFE.

If you think that you or your loved one may meet the above criteria, please contact us today for more information:

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You may also contact your hospital Social Worker or Primary Care Physician