

## CRITERIA OVERVIEW

### 1. CRITERIA FOR PRECERTIFICATION, CONCURRENT, AND RETROSPECTIVE CERTIFICATION OF INPATIENT ACUTE CARE MEDICAL/SURGICAL AND ACUTE PSYCHIATRIC ADMISSIONS AND CONTINUED STAYS:

HealthSystems of Mississippi (HSM) has a license agreement and utilizes InterQual's criteria to evaluate the proposed admission for medical necessity and appropriateness of the setting and procedures by screening the information contained in the certification request against the following:

- InterQual's ISD-AC Adult and Pediatric and Severity of Illness (SI) criteria, Intensity of Service (IS), and Discharge Screens for medical/surgical and acute psychiatric admissions.
- InterQual's ISP - Indications for Surgery and Procedures criteria for appropriateness of surgery and procedures.

### 2. CRITERIA FOR ASSIGNING THE INITIAL LENGTH OF STAY AND FOLLOW-UP LENGTH OF STAY FOR CONCURRENT AND RETROSPECTIVE CERTIFICATION OF INPATIENT ACUTE CARE MEDICAL/SURGICAL AND ACUTE PSYCHIATRIC STAYS:

HSM has a license agreement and utilizes the Solucient's Length of Stay by Diagnosis and Operations - Southern Region to determine appropriate lengths of stay.

### 3. CRITERIA FOR CERTIFICATION OF SWING-BED ADMISSIONS AND CONTINUED STAY:

The Division of Medicaid (DOM), in conjunction with HSM, has developed swing-bed criteria to determine the medical necessity and appropriateness of admission and continued stay in a swing-bed. Refer to the Swing-Bed Criteria contained in this section.

### 4. CRITERIA FOR CERTIFICATION OF PSYCHIATRIC RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY (PRTF) ADMISSION AND CONTINUED STAY:

The DOM, in conjunction with HSM, has developed criteria to determine the medical necessity and appropriateness of admission, services, and continued stay in a PRTF. Refer to the PRTF Criteria for Admission and Continued Stay contained in this section.

### 5. HSM'S QUALITY SCREENS:

HSM utilizes nationally recognized quality screens developed by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to determine if acute care services/care provided meet professionally recognized standards of health care for inpatient acute care. HSM has developed maternity quality screens in collaboration with DOM. These screens are applied to all cases reviewed. If one or more screens are failed, the case is referred to a Physician Advisor for confirmation of a quality issue. Refer to the Quality Screens contained in the Quality Assurance and Utilization Review section of this manual.

### 6. HSM'S TRANSPLANT CRITERIA:

Please refer to the Mississippi Division of Medicaid web site ([www.dom.state.ms.us](http://www.dom.state.ms.us)) for transplant criteria.