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30-10-217. ICF-MR reserve days. (a) Payment shall be available for days for which it is necessary to reserve a bed in an intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded when the client is absent for:

- (1) Admission to a hospital for acute conditions;
- (2) a temporary absence for therapeutically indicated home visits with relatives or friends; or
- (3) a temporary absence to participate in state-approved therapeutic or rehabilitative programs.

(b) Payment shall be available only for the days during which there is a likelihood that the reserved bed would otherwise be required for occupancy by some other client.

(c) The provider shall be required to notify the local agency office prior to routine absence from the facility by clients in the Kansas medicaid/medikan program. In case of routine admission to a hospital, notification must be submitted to the local agency office no later than five working days following admission.

(d) No payment for medical reserve days shall be made until authorization has been given by the local agency office in writing to the provider. A copy of the authorization shall be attached to the claim submitted for payment.

(e) The following conditions shall be met when a bed is reserved in an ICF/MR because of hospitalization for an acute medical condition:

(1) The local agency office has approved the client reserve days for hospitalization of an acute condition for each period of hospitalization up to 10 days.

(2) When ICF/MR clients are transferred to one of the state mental retardation facilities, they are eligible for 21 hospital reserve days.

(3) The client shall intend to return to the same facility after the hospitalization and the facility accepts the individual for service.

(4) The hospital shall provide a discharge plan for the client which includes returning to the facility requesting the reserve days.

(5) An ICF/MR which has less than 90% occupancy may not be approved for hospitalization reserve days.

(f) The client's plan of care shall provide for the non-hospital related absence. Payment for non-hospital related reserve days for eligible clients residing in intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded shall not exceed 21 days per calendar year, including travel. If additional days are required to alleviate a severe hardship or facilitate normalization, the ICF-MR provider shall send the request for additional days and supporting documentation to the agency for approval or disapproval.

(g) This regulation shall not prohibit any client from leaving a facility if the client so desires.

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(h) Payments made for unauthorized reserve days shall be reclaimed by the agency. The effective date of this regulation shall be April 1, 1992. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 1990 Supp. 39-708c; effective, T-30-12-28-90, Dec. 28, 1990; effective March 4, 1991; amended Oct. 1, 1991; amended April 1, 1992.)