

Houston Medicaid Planning Attorney Whitney L. Thompson Explains Nursing Home Care and Medicaid Eligibility

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Houston Medicaid planning attorney Whitney L. Thompson (<https://www.wthompsonlaw.com/nursing-home-care-and-medicaid-eligibility/>) releases a new article explaining nursing home care and Medicaid eligibility. The lawyer explains that Medicaid planning is not just about meeting strict income requirements and asset limits. It is also important to prove that the individual needs care in a nursing home setting.

The state evaluates the assessment of a Medicaid applicant and, in many cases, will require a doctor's diagnosis. The assessment generally requires the applicant to answer a series of questions about their abilities to perform activities of daily living and any behavioral issues or cognitive problems. There are further questions regarding the applicant's family and their ability to provide support, the Houston Medicaid planning attorney says.

The lawyer mentions that Medicare still covers the medical services an individual may need beyond nursing care along with institutional Medicaid. Medicare usually pays first if the person needs to see a specialist or visit a doctor's office. Then, Medicaid covers the remaining costs such as copayments, coinsurances, and deductibles.

Attorney Whitney L. Thompson adds that for families with a loved one who needs more care than they are able to provide but not enough to get them admitted to a nursing home, there is an in-between care type provided in assisted living. However, Medicaid usually does not cover this type of care or is very limited.

In the article, the lawyer says, "Nursing homes are experiencing very limited capacity, and waitlists can be years. Medicaid is adapting to provide this coverage type in-home to those applicants who may meet NFLOC

Medicaid eligibility requirements but not pose a danger to themselves or others in a home environment. Perhaps using this as a springboard as a potential nursing home residence is waitlisted for full-time care.?

Lastly, the lawyer emphasizes the importance of having a skilled Medicaid planning attorney when dealing with matters involving Medicaid and nursing home care. Having an experienced estate attorney may be able to help an individual understand their rights and help them prepare for the future of their loved ones.

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