

RESOURCE ALLOCATION DECISIONS

SOCIAL NECESSITY

Social necessity means a service that:

1. Will lead to maintaining or developing long-term independence for the member
2. Will support the natural and ongoing support system of the member
3. Will lead to increased self-directed care by the member
4. Supports the goals and the medical diagnoses of the member as indicated in the ISP
5. Will lead to greater involvement of the member in the community
6. Has a probable physical or emotional health benefit and minimal risk for the member
7. Is not solely for the convenience of the member
8. Is appropriate and acceptable by usual social standards
9. Has a short-term focus by the organization, and long-term independence focus for the member
10. Is not duplicative of other available services outside of the organization
11. Demonstrates good long-term stewardship of available resources, including financial