## **Subpart 5. Outpatient Hospital Services Chapter 51. General Provisions**

## §5107. Duration of Outpatient Status

- A. The Medicaid Program will reimburse medically necessary services rendered to a recipient in outpatient status up to a time period not to exceed 30 hours.
- B. This time period is used by the physician to observe the recipient and to determine the need for the following actions:
  - 1. further treatment;
  - 2. admission to inpatient status; or
  - 3. discharge.
- C. It is the responsibility of the physicians providing the recipient's outpatient hospital care to determine whether he/she should be admitted to inpatient status.

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