

Disenrollment

Your benefits from Ascension Living St. Vincent PACE can be stopped if you voluntarily disenroll from the program because you choose to give up your enrollment in the program or if you involuntarily disenroll from the program because you no longer meet the conditions of enrollment.

St. Vincent PACE services will continue until the effective date of disenrollment. You must still use St. Vincent PACE services and pay the monthly premium, if there is any, until the effective date of disenrollment.

Ascension Living St. Vincent PACE will provide you with information on the consequences of subsequent enrollment in other optional Medicare or Medicaid programs following disenrollment from PACE.

Voluntary Disenrollment

You may choose to disenroll from Ascension Living St. Vincent PACE at any time for any reason. If you wish to disenroll from the program, contact your St. Vincent PACE Social Worker. Your disenrollment from Ascension Living St. Vincent PACE will be effective on the first day of the month following receipt of your disenrollment request.

You may discuss the timing of your disenrollment with your Interdisciplinary Team to ensure your coverage is not interrupted. If you are eligible for Medicare and/or Medicaid at disenrollment, you may go back to other Medicare and/or Medicaid providers in the community. St. Vincent PACE will continue all services until your disenrollment is effective. If you were not on Medicaid or Medicare before enrolling in St. Vincent PACE, special conditions for continued benefits may apply.

Involuntary Disenrollment

Involuntary disenrollments are effective on the first day of the next month that begins 30 days after the day Ascension Living St. Vincent PACE sends you notice of the disenrollment. Your benefits with Ascension Living St. Vincent PACE can be discontinued by St. Vincent PACE for any of the following reasons:

- You moved out of the Ascension Living St. Vincent PACE service area or you are out of the service area for more than thirty (30) consecutive days, unless agreed upon by St. Vincent PACE.
- You no longer meet the State of Indiana nursing facility level of care eligibility and are not deemed eligible.
- You consistently do not follow instructions for your plan of care and/or the terms of your Enrollment Agreement thereby threatening your health and safety.
- You, your family, and/or caregiver engages in disruptive or threatening behavior including behavior that jeopardizes his or her health or safety, or the safety of others.
- You do not pay or have not worked out some way to make any premium due to Ascension Living St. Vincent PACE, or any applicable Medicaid spend down or amount due under the post-eligibility treatment of income process, after the thirty (30) day grace period.
- Ascension Living St. Vincent PACE loses the contract with Medicare and/or Medicaid and/or licenses which make it possible to provide healthcare services.
- The PACE program agreement with CMS and the State administering agency is not renewed or is terminated.

Enrollment Impact Due to Extended Absences or Moving From Service Area

Please discuss any planned absence from the service area with your St. Vincent PACE Social Worker.

If you will be out of the service area for more than thirty (30) consecutive days, you will no longer be eligible for participation in St. Vincent PACE unless you have made arrangements with your St. Vincent PACE Social Worker and Interdisciplinary Team. If you have not made arrangements, we may disenroll you from St. Vincent PACE.

Renewal Provisions

If you choose to leave St. Vincent PACE by disenrolling voluntarily you may get back in if you reapply, however, you must still meet the eligibility requirements. If you are given notice of involuntary disenrollment because you did not pay your monthly bill you may remain enrolled simply by paying the bill. However, you must make this payment before the effective date of your disenrollment from St. Vincent PACE, or you may have to begin the application process again. If you pay your bill on time, your coverage will continue.

Important Notice(s)

You cannot enroll or disenroll from Ascension Living St. Vincent PACE at a Social Security office.

If you enroll in any other Medicare or Medicaid prepaid plan or optional benefit, including a Medicaid HMO, Hospice, Medicare Prescription Drug Plan, or Home and Community-Based services while you are a Ascension Living St. Vincent PACE participant, this will be considered your voluntary disenrollment from our program. If you enroll in any of these plans, you will lose all services and benefits provided by Ascension Living St. Vincent PACE. You will receive notification from Ascension Living St. Vincent PACE of this termination of your enrollment. Your disenrollment will be effective as described under “Voluntary Disenrollment” above.