Kaiser Permanente – Habitat Health PACE Partnership

Introduction to the Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)

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PACE creates a strong construct to address the hurdles facing aging adults

The Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) is a joint **Medicare and Medicaid program** that provides all **medical care and social services for adults 55+** who require nursing facility level of care and can live safely in the community.

This program's goal is to offer an **alternative to institutional care** for those who want to remain in their homes and communities but could use more support to do so.

The program offers **high-touch care**, alongside a unique sense of **community rooted in the PACE center**.

Who joins PACE?

To be eligible for PACE you must:

- Be age 55 or older
- Live in the PACE service area
- Require nursing facility level of care
- Be able to live safely in your home with PACE support

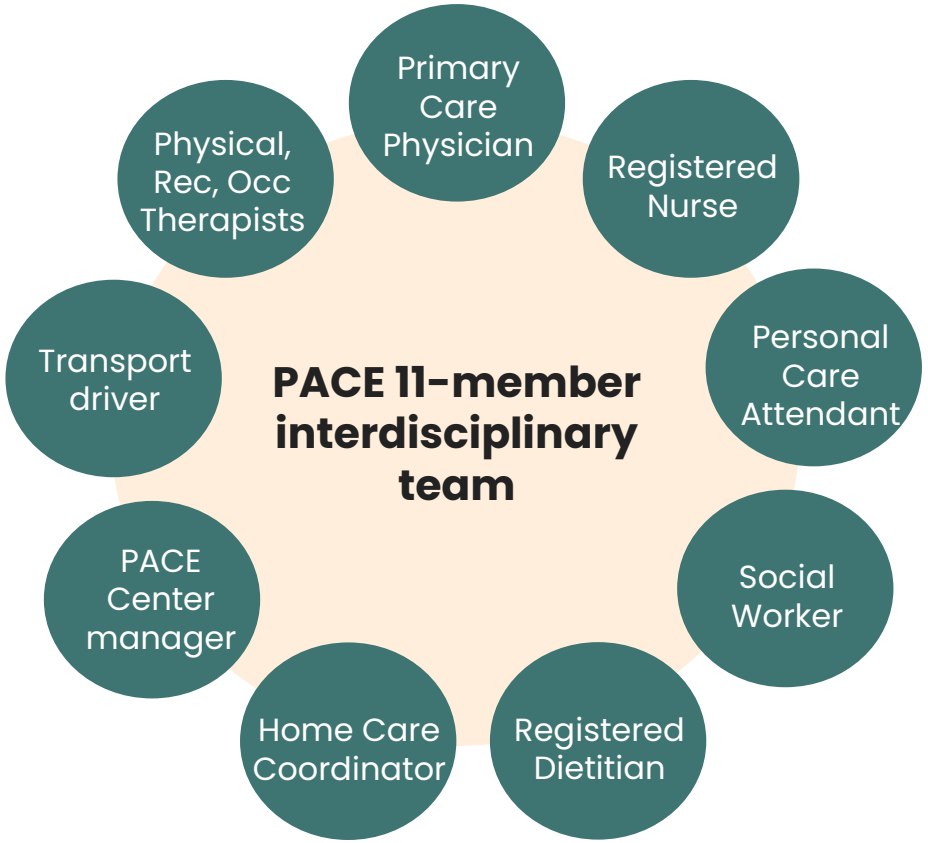
Authorized representatives from PACE Organization will conduct assessments to evaluate if a particular senior meets these criteria; DHCS ultimately determines qualification.

With Habitat Health, PACE-eligible Kaiser Permanente members can finally access both KP care and PACE-level supportive services simultaneously

Habitat Health with KAISER PERMANENTE

In the PACE Center	**SCPMG** Med Director & PCPs. PC clinic, day center, and comprehensive therapies (PT/OT/RT) suite
In the Community	Ongoing **SCPMG** specialty care and access to **Kaiser Permanente** emergency and hospital care.
At home	Home care assistance with in-home needs, including ADLs, prescribed and coordinated by the **IDT**.

Onsite IDT supports participants with primary care, social care, and therapy needs:



KFHP invested alongside Town Hall Ventures to create a new PACE operator, Habitat Health

town hall VENTURES

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- Mission-oriented investment fund
- Founded by former CMS administrator, Andy Slavitt

- Trusted brand, footprint, infrastructure & care model
- Portion of current members are PACE-eligible

Habitat Health

Habitat Health is a new entity and PACE operator

- **Habitat is a separate entity & health plan**; KP members must disenroll from KP coverage to participate in Habitat Health, though KP will still be involved in care delivery to Habitat participants
- Several hundred KP members are expected to move to Habitat per Habitat location, gradually over 2-3 years

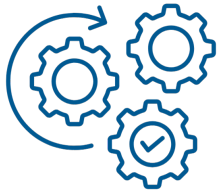
It takes a village—Implementation requires external and internal collaboration, partnering closely across national, regional, and local KP teams

National Leadership: KP & Habitat

KP Program Office
Greg Adams
Bechara Choucair

Habitat Health
Matthew Bennett (CEO)

Regional Sponsors and Operational Core Team



KFHP and SCPMG operational and clinical leadership

Clin Ops

Enroll Ops

Comms

Health Plan Ops

Tech

KFHP and SCPMG regional core teams collaborate to implement the KP-Habitat PACE partnership through a number of operational workstreams

Local Medical Center Areas

Local Champions support tailored implementation

Physician and operational leads support KP care team engagement in referrals and care delivery

Care That Helps Seniors Stay Independent | How Habitat Health PACE with Kaiser Permanente Works

Link: [Care that Helps Seniors Stay Independent | How Habitat Health PACE with Kaiser Permanente Works]

National PACE Results

96%

of PACE participants live safely in their community, even though all are nursing home eligible [1]

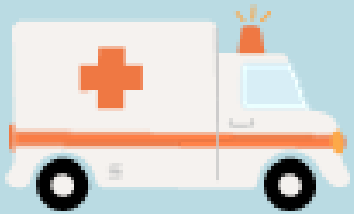
24%

reduction in hospitalizations vs. dual eligibles who receive nursing home services [2]

< 1

LESS THAN ONE

ER visit per member per year [3]



80%

reduction in participant depression [4]

95%

of family caregivers would recommend PACE to someone in a similar situation [5]

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PACE center team

Support under one roof

Primary Care Physician

Registered Nurse

Social Worker

Personal Care Attendant

Registered Dietician

Home Care Coordinator

Habitat Health patients will receive primary care from a dedicated SCPMG physician

Physical Therapist

Recreational Therapist

Occupational Therapist

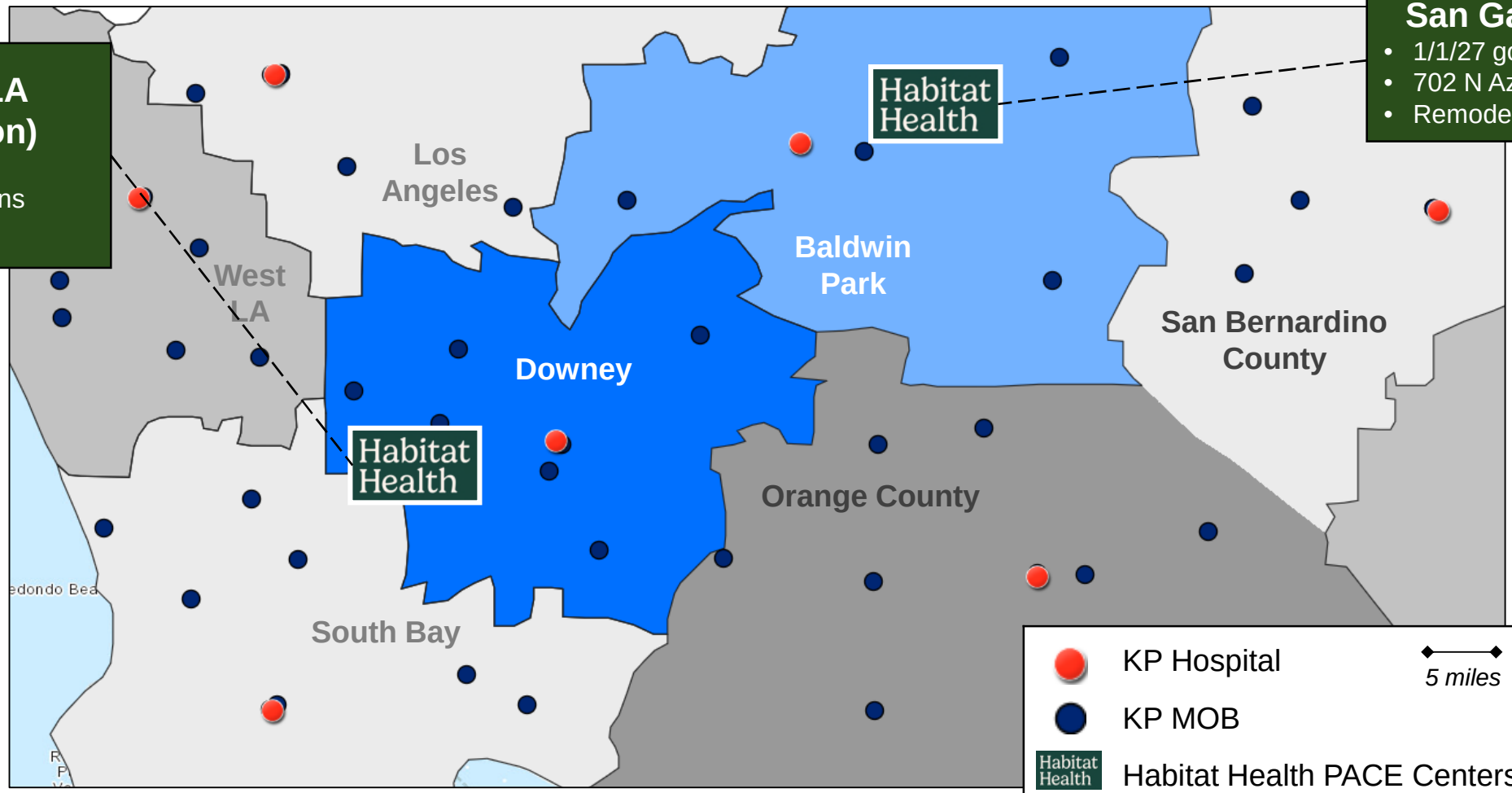
PACE Center Manager

Driver

We will have two Habitat Health SCAL locations by 1/1/27 located in Compton (live 1/1/26) and West Covina (live 1/1/27)

South LA (Compton)
- 1/1/26 go-live
- 1005 Rosecrans
- New build

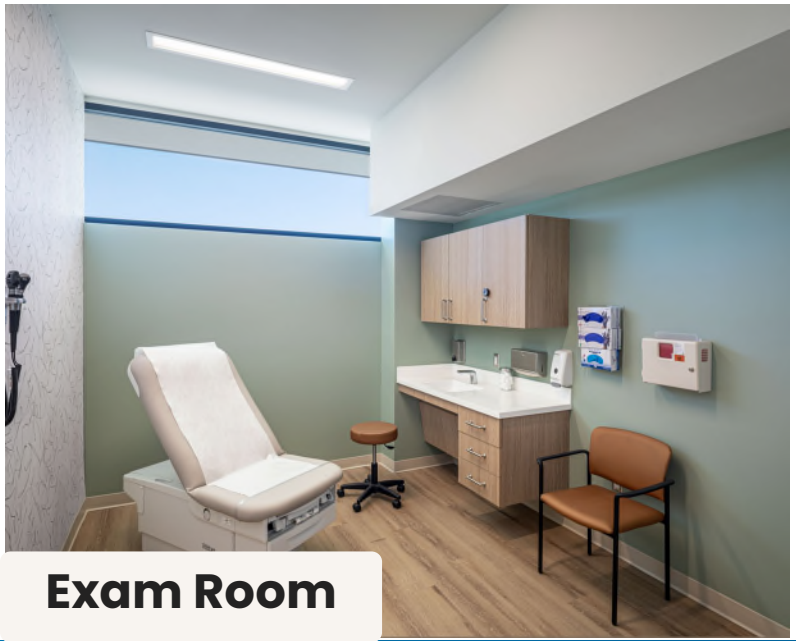
San Gabriel Valley
- 1/1/27 go-live
- 702 N Azusa
- Remodel of former CVS



Entrance

Welcome Area

Exam Room



Main Day Room

Patio

Rehab Area

Library

Spa

Habitat Health with Kaiser Permanente South Los Angeles

Thank you for the time today!

For KP providers / care teams interested in referring patients to learn more about PACE:

1. Introduce the PACE program briefly to the patient **during an existing encounter** and ask if they would like to be connected to Habitat Health to learn more

2. Document the conversation **using the SmartPhrase ".HabitatEducation"**