STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State/Territory: West Virginia

CATEGORICAL DETERMINATIONS

a. Terminal illness, i.e., a medical prognosis that the life expectancy of the individual is six (6) months or less if the illness runs its normal course;

b. Severe physical illness such as coma, ventilator dependence, functioning at a brain stem level, or diagnoses such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's disease, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, and congestive heart failure which result in a level of impairment so severe that the individual could not be expected to benefit from specialized services;

c. Provisional admissions pending further assessment in cases of delirium where an accurate diagnosis cannot be made until the delirium clears with a Level II evaluation requested immediately upon the clearing of the delirium state;

d. Provisional admissions pending further assessment in emergency situations requiring protective services with placement in a nursing facility not to exceed seven (7) days; and

e. Very brief and finite stays of up to fourteen (14) days and not to exceed thirty (30) days per year to provide respite to in-home caregivers to whom the individual with MI or MR is expected to return following the brief NF stay.