To safeguard against excess payments and unnecessary or inappropriate utilization of care, and to assess the quality of the services, the following components comprise Ohio’s system of utilization control:

- Preadmission Review—performed by the department’s Bureau of Community Services
- Physician Certification and Recertification—performed by facility-based or attending physicians
- Plan of Care—performed by facility-based physician or attending physician in conjunction with facility staff
- Inspections of Care in SNFs and ICFs—Bureau of Resident Services
- Utilization Review—facility staff and the department’s Bureau of Resident Services and Division of Long Term Care Utilization Review Committee

OAC 5101:3-3-15 consists of a detailed explanation of policies/procedures for implementing these five components.