

March 29, 2022

<Provider Name>
<Provider Address 1>
<City> <State> zipcode5-zipcode4

Dear Provider:

The purpose of this letter is to clarify that Wraparound services for children/youth are covered under the Michigan Medicaid State Plan. It also provides clarification to the locations where Wraparound services are available.

Federal regulations require state Medicaid programs to offer Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) services to Medicaid-eligible beneficiaries younger than 21 years of age. The intent of EPSDT is to provide necessary health care, diagnostic services, treatment, and other measures according to sections 1905(a) and 1905(r) [42 U.S.C. 1396d] of the Social Security Act (1967) to correct or ameliorate defects and physical and mental illnesses and conditions discovered.

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) holds Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans (PIHPs) responsible for the provision of covered specialty mental health services necessary for the treatment of Medicaid beneficiaries who have more significant and/or complex psychiatric conditions.

Wraparound is an EPSDT State Plan Service when delivered to children/youth under 21 years of age. Wraparound is not exclusive to children/youth served under the Children's Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for Children with Serious Emotional Disturbance (SEDW); However, all children/youth being served under the SEDW must be enrolled in and receiving Wraparound services.

All Medicaid-eligible children/youth that meet two or more of the following criteria are eligible for Wraparound: Children/youth who are involved in multiple children/youth serving systems; children/youth who are at risk of out-of-home placements or are currently in out-of-home placement; children/youth who have received other mental health services with minimal improvement in functioning; the risk factors exceed capacity for traditional community-based options; numerous providers are working with multiple children/youth in a family and the identified outcomes are not being met.

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Children/youth meeting criteria should be referred to the Wraparound provider and/or Community Mental Health Services Program (CMHSP) in the community in which the children/youth reside. Children/youth that are in a Child Caring Institution (CCI), including Qualified Residential Treatment Programs (QRTPs), or Hawthorn Center, and not enrolled in Wraparound, should be referred to the Wraparound provider and/or CMHSP in the community in which the children/youth will be residing.

Wraparound services are covered by Medicaid for up to 180 days while in placement for the purpose of transition back to the community; Wraparound must be suspended once the children/youth has been placed for more than 180 days. When Wraparound-enrolled children/youth are placed at a CCI, including a QRTP, or Hawthorn Center, transition planning should begin immediately in conjunction with the Wraparound Child and Family Team and facility staff.

Children/youth not enrolled in Wraparound and currently placed in a CCI, including a QRTP, or Hawthorn Center, should be referred to the Wraparound provider in their communities. The Wraparound provider will work with the children/youth and their caregiver(s) to develop a Child and Family Team. The Child and Family Team will work collaboratively with facility staff and other child-serving systems to facilitate a comprehensive and holistic plan of services and supports that will enable the children/youth to return to their community. Please note that the children/youth must have an identified home and caregiver to transition.

Please contact Heather Valentiny, Statewide Wraparound Coordinator, at ValentinyH@michigan.gov if you have any questions.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Massey', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Kate Massey, Director
Health and Aging Services Administration