

Children's Habilitation Residential Program (CHRP) Waiver Benefits Collaborative

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Our Mission

Improving health care access and outcomes for the **people** we serve while demonstrating sound stewardship of financial **resources**



What is the Benefits Collaborative Process?



Purpose

Why do we need Benefits Collaborative?

- Clearly define the sufficient amount, scope and duration of Colorado's Medicaid covered services.
- Ensure covered services are evidence-based and guided by best practices.
- Develop working relationships and collaborate with stakeholders.



*What's My Role Here
Today ?*

How Do I Participate?



Your Role

Participants Are Consultants

Your role is to provide suggestions for policy improvement based on:

- Evidence based research and data
- Peer reviewed literature
- Knowledge of the population we serve



Guiding Principles

Policy Suggestions Adopted Will:

- Be guided by recent clinical research and evidence based best practices, wherever possible.
- Be cost effective and establish reasonable limits upon services.
- Promote the health and functioning of Medicaid clients.



Our Role

- To seek out the feedback of the population we serve and those that support them.
- To implement suggested improvements that meet the collaborative's guiding principles.
- To foster understanding in the community about how policy is developing, and why.



Ground Rules

Participants Are Asked To:

- Mind E-manners
- Identify Yourself
- Speak Up Here & Share The Air
- Listen for Understanding
- Stay Solution Focused
- Stay Scope Focused



CHRP Expansion

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ACCESS

*Streamline Access
to Services*



COORDINATE

*Improve Service
Coordination*



RECEIVE

*Increase Service
Options and Quality*

The Why

1. Children in Colorado with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) and complex behavioral needs must be served better.

Presently, children are:

- Being sent out of state
- Served in intensive hospital settings
- Served by the child welfare system, when the presenting need is not an abusive or neglectful situation.



The What

2. The Department received the authority through HB 18-1328 to expand the CHRP waiver to better serve these children.

Modifications will include:

- Removal of requirement that the child be in foster care.
- Transfer of administration of the CHRP waiver from the CDHS to the Department.
- Transfer of case management from child welfare agencies to Case Management Agencies (specifically Community Centered Boards-CCBs).
- Addition of two services to the waiver to mitigate the need for an out of home placement and facilitate returns to the home once stabilized.



The What

CHRP Today

Requires families to relinquish custody of their child

Case management not specialized for children with IDD

Requires out of home placement

Child Welfare-DHS

Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF)

CHRP Future

Does not require families to relinquish custody of the child

Case management specialized in IDD (Community Centered Boards and Case Management Agencies)

Residential out-of-home, in-home, and transition services

Serves all children in abusive or neglectful situations

Case management specialized in child welfare (Counties)

Residential out-of-home services

Child Welfare-DHS



The How and The When

1. Engage stakeholders on new benefits
August-January 2019

2. Renew the waiver with CMS
February-June 2019

3. Promulgate rules and regulations
February-June 2019

4. Training on expanded CHRP waiver
April-June 2019

5. Transition to expanded CHRP waiver
February-June 2019



Eligibility

Expected Eligibility Requirements:

1. Children who have been diagnosed with an intellectual and/or developmental disability
2. Who meet the financial eligibility requirements
3. Children with complex behavioral needs, who are at-risk of out of home placement due to these complex behavior
4. *All children who meet these qualification regardless of child-welfare involvement*



Determination of Complex Behavioral Support Needs Criteria

ICAP

- Current support need tool
- Could this be used to determine to determine complex behavior support needs?

Colorado's New HCBS Assessment Tool

- Single standardized assessment tool across all HCBS waivers
- Has skip patterns for children
- Evaluates psychosocial elements of a child's life
- Evaluates caregiver well-being



Crisis Definition

Crisis is an event or events of greater than normal severity that becomes outside the manageable range for the child/youth and/or their caregivers and poses a danger to self, family, community. Crisis may be self-identified, family identified, and/or identified by an outside party.



The Benefits

Intensive In-Home Therapeutic Support

The In-Home Therapeutic Support service includes strategies to support the child/youth and family to prevent the need for out of home placement prior to or during a crisis.

- Identify unique strengths, abilities, preferences, desires, needs, expectations, and goals of the child/youth and family.
- Include an assessment of crisis contributing factors.
- Identify and connect to services and supports needed.



Crisis Assessment Analysis

Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS)
assessment tool

Is validated for use:

- During and outside of crisis
- For children with I/DD
- To evaluate family members' trauma and stress
- To evaluate at-risk of out-of-home placement

Furthermore, is:

- Is trauma-informed
- Non-proprietary
- Composed of modules that may be purchased and used in adjunct with CO's
New HCBS Assessment Tool



The Benefits

Intensive In-Home Therapeutic Support

- Crisis Mitigation Plan
- In-Home Support
- Prevention and Monitoring



Provider Qualification Analysis

Wraparound – an evidenced-based and nationally recognized process of intensive, individualized care planning and management process for children and adolescents with complex behavioral needs.

START (Systematic, Therapeutic, Assessment, Resources and Treatment) - is a comprehensive model of service supports that optimizes independence, treatment, and community living for individuals with IDD and behavioral health needs.

Professional Crisis Management – nonviolent crisis intervention, aimed at reducing crises by equipping staff with skills to defuse complex behaviors during times of crises.



The Benefits

Intensive In-Home Therapeutic Support

Provider Qualifications

- Crisis Prevention Coordinator
- Direct Support Professional



The Benefits

Intensive Therapeutic Transition Support

The Intensive Therapeutic Transition Support service includes strategies to support the child/youth and family when a child/youth transitions back to the family home from out of home placement.

- Identify unique strengths, abilities, preferences, desires, needs, expectations, and goals of child/youth and family.
- Include an assessment of risk and crisis mitigation contributing factors.
- Identify and connect to services and support needs.



The Benefits

Intensive Therapeutic Transition Support

- Risk and Crisis Mitigation Plan
- In-Home Support
- Prevention and Monitoring



The Benefits

Intensive Therapeutic Transition Support

Provider Qualifications

- Crisis Prevention Coordinator
- Direct Support Professional



Questions for this group

- Do we need to further define predictive and increased risk factors in the coverage standard and/or rule?
- Thoughts on the name of the services, service components?
- Thoughts on the title “Crisis Prevention Coordinator”?



Questions for this group

- Is further clarification needed on how the Crisis Prevention Coordinator is different from the case manager?
- Is further clarification needed on how the proposed two new benefits are different from behavioral services?
- Transition from child to adult services- is there anything we need to consider at is pertains to the proposed two new benefits?



Thank you!

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