

Hoosier Care Connect Medicaid Program:

FCM Information Sheet

What is Hoosier Care Connect?

Hoosier Care Connect is a coordinated care program for individuals that are aged, blind, or disabled and some groups of children in foster care or formerly in foster care. Children on Hoosier Care Connect will receive the same benefits as those children on Fee-For Service Medicaid, in addition to receiving the following services:

- Care coordination, including assistance in coordinating health care appointments and transportation
- Assistance in connecting with healthcare providers and specialists
- Disease management and wellness programs
- Access to a 24 hour Nurse Helpline

For children eligible for Hoosier Care Connect, the Medicaid Enrollment Unit (MEU) will select a Managed Care Entity (MCE), based on the child's provider history. An MCE is a health plan that will work in partnership with medical providers to coordinate health care. Anthem and MHS are the MCE providers.

Each MCE has a network of physicians, pharmacies, and hospitals that will provide health care to Hoosier Care Connect members. Care coordination will be customized based on an individual's level of need as determined by a health screening. If you feel the child's selected MCE needs to be changed, contact MEU.

What are the benefits of Hoosier Care Connect?

The MCE care coordinators can assist you and/or the child's foster care provider in coordinating health care appointments and transportation. Care coordinators will also provide reminders of upcoming health care appointments and can assist in identifying health care providers and specialists appropriate to a child's needs. Depending on the MCE selected, there may also be programs and educational opportunities available for the child to assist with their specific healthcare needs.

Who is eligible for Hoosier Care Connect?

DCS wards that are eligible for Title IV-E, youth in Collaborative Care, former foster care youth, and children receiving adoption or guardianship assistance may be eligible for Hoosier Care Connect. MEU is responsible for assisting with the enrollment of eligible children on Hoosier Care Connect. Only MEU can request the enrollment of a child in Hoosier Care Connect.

What do I need to do?

Once a child is enrolled in Hoosier Care Connect, the child's foster care provider may receive information regarding the program and an initial health assessment in the mail. Each child must have an initial health assessment completed upon entry into the Hoosier Care Connect program. This is a requirement of the program. The initial health assessment will help determine the level of care coordination that will be needed for the child. Please communicate the importance of completing the initial health assessment to the child's foster care provider.

Once an MCE is selected, a care coordinator from the MCE may contact you about the names of the child's physicians and other health care providers so that a primary medical provider (PMP) can be identified. The PMP is the doctor that the child will see for most of his/her health care services. The care coordinator may also contact you to assist in coordinating the child's health care appointments and transportation. If you are contacted by a care coordinator, it is important that you return the call.

Who can I contact with questions about Hoosier Care Connect?

If you have questions about Hoosier Care Connect, please contact DCS MEU at MedicaidUnit@dcs.in.gov.