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FSSA renews CMHW State Plan benefit

Effective July 1, 2023, the Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) is renewing the Child Mental Health Wraparound (CMHW) State Plan benefit with an amendment. Pending Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) approval, the amendment will go into effect for dates of service on or after July 1, 2023.

The amendment implements the following changes to the current CMHW State Plan Benefit:

- Wraparound facilitators to have an exclusive role, and wraparound facilitation agencies prohibited from providing any CMHW service other than wraparound facilitation, except for facility-based respite care
- Qualifications for state employees making eligibility determinations changed from being Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) certified to having experience with the CANS assessment tool
- The CMHW State Transition Plan updated to reflect implementation and current requirements
- Removal of the requirement for accredited agencies to have qualifications reviewed at the time of accreditation in addition to every three years
- Crisis respite care renamed "unexpected respite"
- Daily respite care limits increased from 28 days to 40 days per care plan year
- Hourly respite care limits updated from up to 39 15-minute units per day to up to 27 15-minute units in a calendar day
- Habilitation, training and support, and respite care service limits can be exceeded with medical necessity being met
- "Special needs" and "therapeutic" foster care descriptors updated to align with revised state language, modifying the foster care licensure type to include licensed child placement agencies (LCPAs)
- Inclusion of nonmedical transportation to be associated with facility-based respite care
- Service description in training and support for the unpaid caregiver updated:
 - To allow more than one caregiver of a member to receive training at a time
 - To allow for up to two hours per month of support to be provided telephonically

Questions about CMHW should be directed to the FSSA Division of Mental Health and Addiction (DMHA) Youth Services at DMHAYouthservices@fssa.in.gov.

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