



# Medicaid and Chip Tribal Consultation

## Disaster and Emergency Authorities

### Coverage (Cov)

August 2020

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<b>Assessment, Evaluation, and Person-Centered Service Plan</b>						
Cov 1	Assessments and reevaluations are due between 6 and 12 months depending on the waiver.	Allow an extension for reassessments and reevaluations required for Home and Community Based Waiver participation for up to one year past the due date.	1/27/2020	7/27/2020	1915 (c) Waiver Appendix K	Continue Flexibility to 01/26/2021
Cov 2	Evaluations, assessments and person-centered service planning meetings are either required or encouraged to be held in person depending on the waiver.	Allow the option to conduct evaluations, assessments, and person-centered service planning meetings virtually/remotely in lieu of face-to-face meetings	1/27/2020	7/27/2020	1915 (c) Waiver Appendix K	Continue Flexibility to 01/26/2021
Cov 3	Documents are physically signed.	Add an electronic method of signing off on required documents such as the person-centered service plan.	1/27/2020	7/27/2020	1915 (c) Waiver Appendix K	Continue Flexibility to 01/26/2021
Cov 4	n/a	Temporarily modify incident reporting requirements to require incident reporting for COVID 19 positive (or presumed positive) within 48 hours.	1/27/2020	7/27/2020	1915 (c) Waiver Appendix K	Continue Flexibility to 01/26/2021
Cov 5	Level of care processes are completed via desk level review, in-person meetings and/or telephonically depending on the waiver.	Temporarily modify processes for initial level of care for all waiver eligibility to allow evaluations to be conducted via telephone or other interactive electronic communication.	1/27/2020	7/27/2020	1915 (c) Waiver Appendix K	Continue Flexibility to 01/26/2021



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Cov 6	Most HCBS waiver services require face to face contact to be eligible for Montana Medicaid reimbursement.	Add an electronic method of service delivery (e.g., telephonic) allowing services to continue to be provided remotely in the home setting for: - Case management - Personal care services that only require verbal cueing - In-home habilitation - Monthly monitoring (i.e., in order to meet the reasonable indication of need for services requirement in 1915(c) waivers).	1/27/2020	7/27/2020	1915 (c) Waiver Appendix K	Continue Flexibility to 01/26/2021
Cov 7	Person centered service plan development and meetings are primarily conducted in person and signatures were gathered in-person.	Temporarily modify person-centered service plan development process and individual(s) responsible for person-centered service plan development, including qualifications. Allow assessments to be modified to contain information that can be completed through telephonic and/or electronic interview/observations, allow meetings to be conducted virtually including telephonic or other electronic methods and permit electronic signatures.	1/27/2020	7/27/2020	1915 (c) Waiver Appendix K	Continue Flexibility to 01/26/2021