

Developmental Services Division Proposed Rule and State Plan Amendments

The Developmental Services Division proposes the following rule and state plan amendments:

Within the Children's Mental Health Bureau (CMHB) the following rule amendments are proposed:

ARM 37.85.105(6) is amended to reflect a 2% provider rate increase to be effective July 1, 2014.

ARM 37.87.1803 is amended to allow for the licensed or in-training mental health professional to provide 40 percent of the units billed by the Comprehensive School and Community Treatment (CSCT) team each month as opposed to the previously required 50 percent of the units. This proposed rule change will allow providers more flexibility of services and allows professionals to utilize their clinical judgment in determining how to best meet the youth's therapeutic needs.

ARM 37.106.1955 and 37.106.1961 are amended to extend the implementation date by which providers are required to implement the Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) assessment to allow providers adequate time during the summer months to train their staff on implementation. The Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths tool is a family friendly functional assessment tool used to facilitate effective treatment planning.

ARM 37.87.903 will be amended to adopt and incorporate the new CMHB Medicaid Services Provider Manual that will replace the current CMHB manual titled "Children's Mental Health Bureau Provider Manual and Clinical Guidelines for Utilization Management". The majority of the information provided in this manual remains the same as in its predecessor. Significant changes that were made are noted in the introduction of the new manual.

Within the Children's Mental Health Bureau the following state plan amendments are proposed:

Effective July 1, 2014, the Department will remove language from the Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility (PRTF) State Plan regarding Targeted Case Management (TCM) for youth in out of state PRTFs. A capped 80 units of targeted case management will be allowed for youth transitioning out of an out of state PRTF placement in order to support successful discharge back in to the community setting. This amendment is necessary as out of state PRTFs have significant problems discharging some youth from their facilities due to barriers in identifying appropriate discharge options as they are often unfamiliar with community resources in Montana. The allowed 80 units of TCM in an OOS PRTF are already reflected in ARM 37.87.1223 eliminating the need for a corresponding amendment to the administrative rules.

In April 2013 the Department submitted a request to CMS to update the Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) services state plan. The amendment will update reimbursement methodologies to include qualified provider payments for direct care. The

department is also undertaking an extensive re-write of the state plan to add Therapeutic Group Home, CSCT, Home Support Services, Therapeutic Family Care, and CBPRS services.

Within the Developmental Disabilities Program the following rule amendments are proposed:

ARMs 37.34.3005 and 37.86.3607 are amended to reflect a 4% provider rate increase to be effective July 1, 2014.

New Rules Roman Numeral 1-28 are proposed in order to administer a new Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) waiver. DDP received approval to administer the new Supports for Working and Living waiver on October 1, 2013. The Supports for Community Working and Living Waiver focuses on helping young adults achieve integrated community employment. This waiver has a maximum capacity of 30 individuals aged 16 and older. DDP held collaborative meetings with stakeholders during the spring of 2014 to review draft rules related to the administration of this new waiver. DDP took stakeholder feedback and made appropriate changes to the draft rules. These rules are drafted along with the statement of reasonable necessity and are awaiting a fiscal impact statement prior to being submitted to the department's legal division and beginning the formal rules process.