Children’s System of Care
Comprehensive Waiver Renewal
*Listening Session*

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Children’s System of Care Objectives

To help youth succeed...

**At Home**
Successfully living with their families and reducing the need for out-of-home treatment settings.

**In School**
Successfully attending the least restrictive and most appropriate school setting close to home.

**In the Community**
Successfully participating in the community and becoming independent, productive and law-abiding citizens.
LANGUAGE IS IMPORTANT

Client
Case
Placement
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Language of CSOC
- Children, youth, young adult
- Parents, caregivers
- Treatment/Care
- Engagement
- Transition
- Missing
- Therapeutic leave

Not the Language of CSOC
- Clients, Case, Consumer
- Mom and Dad
- Placement
- Not Motivated
- Close, Terminate
- Runaway
- Home visits
Waiver Renewal

A fully integrated continuum of care that seamlessly addresses individuals’ physical, behavioral health and long-term care needs

CSOC

Seamless System of Care for all youth who may need treatment, support and services
The Children’s Home and Community-Based programs under the Comprehensive Waiver are administered by the Department of Children and Families (DCF), Division of Children’s System of Care (CSOC)

1. Intellectual Disability/Developmental Disability – Mental Illness (ID/DD-MI)

1. Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

Each Pilot Expected to Serve About 200 Youth

3. Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED)

   Children with SED who meet clinical criteria for hospital level of care, will be provided with Plan A, Medical Benefit Package

   Services to be Prior Authorized Through CSOC’s Contracted System Administrator (CSA), PERFORMCARE
ADDITIONAL THREE NEW SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE YOUTH* INVOLVED WITH THE CHILDREN’S SYSTEM OF CARE (CSOC):

• Transitioning Youth Life Skill Building (16 and over)
• Youth Support and Training (5 -16 yr old)
• Non Medical Transportation

*Youth must be involved with Care Management Organization (CMO) and services must be included in plan of care
GOALS

• Serve and stabilize child in the least restrictive setting
• Return the family unit to a place that will require minimal outside intervention

INCLUSIONARY CRITERIA

• NJ FamilyCare Eligible youth
• CMO involved youth (to coordinate care)
• 5 to 21 yr old
• Co-occurring MH/DD diagnosis
• Meets State MH LEVEL OF CARE (LOC)
• Case/Care Management
• Individual Supports
• Natural Supports Training
• Intensive In Community –Habilitation (IIH)
• Respite
• Non Medical Transportation
• Interpreter Services
ASD

- Services are habilitative
- Must be evidence based
- Enhance inclusion in community
  - Improved adaptive behavior, language, and cognitive outcomes
INCLUSIONARY CRITERIA:
- Must be determined DD eligible through CSOC
- NJ FamilyCare Eligible Youth
- Under 13 yr. old
- Meets Level of Care Criteria
- Diagnosis of ASD

EXCLUSIONARY CRITERIA:
- Children with other insurance
• Three levels of acuity with associated cost limits for habilitation services
  – Low-$9,000/yr
  – Moderate-$18,000/yr
  – High-$27,000/yr
• Eligibility and tier assessment by CSOC’s Contracted System Administrator (CSA)
  – Maximum up to three years
CSOC authorizes through its own provider network the following services in the form of ABA:
- Behavior Consultative Supports
- Individual Behavior Supports

MCO’s authorize and manage the below through their provider network:
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech and Language Therapy
Under the renewal, a new Children’s Support Services program will be initiated to:

- Expand access to services currently under the ID/DD-MI and ASD pilots
- Include additional services such as Supported Employment and Assistive Technology
In New Jersey, 1 out of every 41 children are diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

With the success of the pilot, staff from DMAHS, CSOC, and the Department of Banking and Insurance (DOBI) are meeting regularly to build a comprehensive package of services to provide to NJ FamilyCare eligible youth with Autism.
Adults with SMI die on average 25 years earlier than other Americans, largely due to treatable medical conditions.

81% of NJ Medicaid high inpatient users have a BH diagnosis, including 44% with SMI.

Sources: *Journal of Psychopharmacology*. 2010 Nov; 24(4_supplement): 61–68; Rutgers Center for State Health Policy.
Co-Morbidity in Children and Adults

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Co-Morbidity is not as high in Children as in Adults
1/3 of Children with Behavioral Health have chronic conditions
2/3 of Adults with Mental Illness have chronic conditions
Through health homes, 5 counties now offering integrated care management
Children’s Behavioral Health Home (BHH)

What it is:
- CMO’s are the designated BHH for Children in NJ
- Enhancement to the Child Family Team to bring medical expertise to the table

What it is not:
- Not a physical site
The Renewal application can be accessed through the Division’s website at: http://www.state.nj.us/dcf/about/divisions/dcsc/

or directly at: http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmahs/home/waiver.html

The comment period ends August 12, 2016

Comments can be sent via email to dmahs.cmwcomments@dhs.state.nj.us (preferred method)

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