Lifting of Moratorium for providers of Intensive In-Community (IIC) Services
On March 1, 2016, the Children's System of Care (CSOC) will lift the current
moratorium on enrolling new agencies, medical/mental health practices, or individuals
seeking to become enrolled by Medicaid as providers of Intensive In-Community (IIC)
Mental Health Rehabilitative Services for children, youth and young adults.

CSOC collaborated with system partners including Care Management Organizations, Mobile Response and the Contracted System Administrator, to gain a better understanding of local areas of need in the realm of IIC service delivery in order to better serve our youth and families. As a result, CSOC particularly encourages the application and enrollment of those with IIC provider qualifications and capacity to support youth and families who have needs in the following areas:

- Youth who are deaf or hard of hearing including those who use sign language
- Youth who have experienced trauma
- Youth with developmental or intellectual challenges
- Youth with substance use challenges
- Youth who identify as LGBTQI
- Youth and Families with a preference for a male service provider
- Youth and Families with diverse ethnic backgrounds
- Youth and Families with diverse religious or spiritual backgrounds
- Youth who have been adopted
- CSOC strongly encourages bilingual and/or multicultural providers to apply to support service delivery in a family's primary language and cultural identification

Additionally, CSOC encourages out of home treatment providers to apply for opportunities to strengthen community transitions for youth returning to their homes and communities.

The existing Medicaid regulations governing IIC services are available in N.J.A.C. 10:77 – subchapters 4 and 5. CSOC established additional requirements for provider credentials, assessment, treatment planning, certification process, staff training, and system partner collaboration via policy in 2007. These additional requirements are referenced within the application document as well as on the CSA website – www.performcarenj.org and DCF website – http://nj.gov/dcf/providers/csc/index.html.

Applicants seeking to become enrolled as Medicaid providers of IIC services must submit an original, completed provider application packet (copies will not be accepted) to the following address via U.S. mail.

Department of Children and Families Children's System of Care PO BOX 717 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0717

Attention: Community Service Line Manager for IIC/BA



Applicants are strongly encouraged to apply by June 1, 2016.

The required components of the provider application packet will be posted at the link below.

http://www.nj.gov/dcf/providers/csc/

Special Notes:

CSOC is also seeking to enroll additional providers of In-Community Mental Health Rehabilitative Services as follows:

- Commitment to provide these services in the following counties: Cumberland, Salem, Warren, Gloucester, Atlantic, Hunterdon, Sussex
- Specializations in the areas identified above
- Cultural competency (statewide); Specific needs identified by local communities are providers who are of Muslim faith, providers who are of Orthodox Jewish faith, providers who can deliver the IIC and/or BA service in Mandarin, Sign Language, Spanish or Creole
- Out of Home Treatment Providers to support youth transition home (statewide)

New provider enrollment will be determined by CSOC based on the information submitted by the applicant in the provider application packet relative to existing regulation and policy. Submission of an application packet **does not** guarantee enrollment as a provider of In-Community Mental Health Rehabilitative Services.

CSOC is hosting an information session regarding IIC services to provide an overview of CSOC and its system partners, a description of IIC services and requirements, CSOC initiatives around strengthening transitions between services and the application process to become a Medicaid IIC provider. The informational session will be held on Wednesday, February 24, 2016 between the hours of 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the following address.

The DCF Professional Center 30 Van Dyke Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ 08901

The facility's main number is 732-448-6300.

Please have providers interested in attending this forum RSVP to Jessica Connor at <u>Jessica.Connor@dcf.state.nj.us</u>. Because space is limited, each provider is asked to send only 1-2 representatives.

