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Subject: Public Notice For Changes to the Targeted Case Management State Plan for Care Coordination for Children and Youth Effective April 19, 2025

Additional info: The Maryland Department of Health (MDH) is submitting an amendment to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for the Targeted Case Management (TCM) State Plan for Care Coordination for Children and Youth. The TCM State Plan provides care coordination services for children and youth with Serious Emotional Disturbances (SED) and their families.

The proposed changes presented for public comment are based on the Department's comprehensive evaluation through extensive stakeholder outreach and engagement conducted in Spring 2024.

The following changes have been made to the TCM State Plan as part of the amendment:

- Clarify the frequency Plan of Care (POC) must be updated for each TCM level of care
- Decrease the frequency of Child and Family Team (CFT) meetings for all levels of care to a minimum of every 6 months or more frequently as clinically indicated.
- Increase the length of time to update POCs from 5 days to 10 days after CFT meetings.

The proposed changes do not impact the current rates of reimbursement or rate methodologies for currently available TCM services. There is no fiscal impact.

For questions about the notice, please contact <u>mdh.mabehavioralhealth@maryland.gov</u>.

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