Children’s Waiver Environmental Modification, Vehicle Modification, and Assistive Technology for Transition to Medicaid Managed Care for October 1, 2019

Effective October 1, 2019, the 1915(c) Children’s Waiver, Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) will be covered by Medicaid Managed Care Plan (MMCP) of the HCBS eligible enrollee. This will include the HCBS of Environmental Modification, Vehicle Modification and Assistive Technology. A process has been established as outlined here, under the “1915(c) Children’s HCBS Waiver Provider Tools” tab.

This notification is to ensure that there is not a delay in service authorization or gap in an Environmental Modification, Vehicle Modification, or Assistive Technology being provided. If a Health Home care manager or C-YES staff has already begun the process of establishing the requirements to obtain Environmental Modification, Vehicle Modification, or Assistive Technology for a child/family, and it has reached the step of providing the information and application to the Local Department of Social Services (LDSS) for processing and payment, this process should not be discontinued if the child/youth is enrolled in MMCP. The process should continue to completion fee-for-service.

If an Environmental Modification, Vehicle Modification, or Assistive Technology is needed and/or begun by the Health Home care manager or C-YES staff but has not reached the level of the application to the LDSS, then the MMCP should be notified immediately. The Health Home care manager or C-YES staff must communicate with the MMCP the need(s) of the member and how far in the process they are, so that the MMCP may assist in the finalization of the procurement of the Environmental Modification, Vehicle Modification, or Assistive Technology for the member.

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