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Dyadic Care Services and Family Therapy Benefit APL 22-029

This is an advisory notification to Molina Healthcare of California (MHC) network providers to provide guidance on coverage requirements for the provision of the new Dyadic Care Services and family therapy benefit effective January 1, 2023.

This notification is based on an All-Plan Letter (APL) 22-029, which can be found in full on the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) website at: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/Documents/MMCDAPLsandPolicyLetters/APL2022/APL22-029.pdf>

BACKGROUND

The Dyadic services benefit is designed to support implementation of comprehensive models of dyadic care, such as HealthySteps and Dulce, that work within the pediatric clinic setting to identify and address caregiver and family risk factors for the benefit of the child.

Dyadic Care Services include Dyadic behavioral health (DBH) well-child visits, Dyadic Comprehensive Community Supports Services, Dyadic Psychoeducational Services, and Dyadic Family Training and Counseling for Child Development. DBH are provided for the child and caregiver(s) or parent(s) at medical visits, providing screening for behavioral health problems, interpersonal safety, tobacco and substance misuse and social drivers of health (SDOH), such as food insecurity and housing instability, and referrals for appropriate follow-up care.

POLICY

Dyadic Care Services Provider Requirements and Qualifications

MHC will reimburse Dyadic Comprehensive Community Supports Services as defined below when provided by a licensed Provider. MHC is responsible for ensuring appropriate supervision of Dyadic Care Services Providers and educating their Network Providers on the Dyadic Care Services benefit.

Member Eligibility Criteria for Dyadic Care Services

Children (Members ages 20 or below) and their parent(s)/caregiver(s) are eligible for DBH well-child visits when delivered according to the Bright Futures/American Academy of Pediatrics periodicity schedule for behavioral/social/emotional screening assessment, and when medically necessary, in accordance with Medi-Cal's Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) standards in Title 42 of the United States Code (USC), Section 1396d(r). The family is eligible to receive Dyadic Care Services so long as the child is enrolled in Medi-Cal. The parent(s) or caregiver(s) does not need to be enrolled in Medi-Cal or have other coverage so long as the care is for the direct benefit of the child.

Covered Services

MHC may offer the Dyadic Care Services benefit through telehealth or in-person with locations in any setting including, but not limited to, pediatric primary care settings, doctor's offices or clinics, inpatient or outpatient settings in hospitals, the Member's home, school-based sites, or community settings. There are no service location limitations. Covered Dyadic Services are behavioral health services for children (Members ages 20 or below) and/or their parent(s) or caregiver(s), and include:

- DBH Well-Child Visits
- Dyadic Comprehensive Community Supports Services
- Dyadic Psychoeducational Services
- Dyadic Family Training and Counseling for Child Development
- Dyadic Parent or Caregiver Services

Family Therapy as a Behavioral Health Benefit

Family therapy is type of psychotherapy covered under Medi-Cal's NSMHS benefit, including for Members ages 20 or below who are at risk for behavioral health concerns and for whom clinical literature would support that the risk is significant such that family therapy is indicated, but may not have a mental health diagnosis. The primary purpose of family therapy is to address family dynamics as they relate to the Member's mental status and behavior(s).

Provider Enrollment

Network Providers, including those that will operate as Providers of Dyadic Care Services, are required to enroll as Medi-Cal Providers, consistent with APL 22-013, or any superseding APL, if there is a state-level enrollment pathway for them to do so.

Billing, Claims, and Payments

Dyadic Care Services Providers must be reimbursed in accordance with their Network Provider contract. MHC will not require a prior authorization for Dyadic Care Services. Encounters for Dyadic Care Services must be submitted with allowable current procedural terminology codes as outlined in the Medi-Cal Provider Manual.

QUESTIONS

If you have any questions regarding the notification, please contact your Molina Provider Services Representative. Please refer to the phone numbers listed below:

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