



ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY STATEMENT

Ohio MyCare

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According to the rules of Mental Health Parity Addiction Equity Act (MHPAEA), coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of a behavioral health disorder will not be subject to any limitations that are less favorable than the limitations that apply to medical conditions as covered under this policy.

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A. Subject

Independent Provider

B. Background

An independent provider is an individual who has met the criteria to obtain an Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) provider number and has been approved as a Waiver provider by ODM. The provider must have a CareSource provider identification to provide Waiver services to MyCare members. This type of provider is not affiliated with an agency.

C. Definitions

- **All Service Plan** – The service coordination and prior authorization document that supports care plan specific goals, objectives and measurable outcomes for consumer health and functioning expected as a result of services provided by both formal and informal caregivers and that addresses the physical and medical conditions of the consumer.
 - At a minimum, the All Services Plan shall include:
 - Essential information needed to provide care to the consumer that assures the consumer's health and welfare;
 - Billing authorization: associated codes for services approved.
 - The All Services Plan is not the same as the physician's plan of care.
- **Care Manager** – The Care Manager that works with the member and transdisciplinary team to develop the services and supports and authorization on the All Service Plan.
- **Prior Authorization** – Authorization obtained prior to services and supports provided on the All Service Plan and is based on a combination of medical necessity, medical appropriateness and benefit limits.
- **Trans-Disciplinary Care Team (TDCT)** – The primary team responsible for assessment, planning, and evaluation of the member care needs.

D. Policy

- I. CareSource provides coverage for Waiver services when it meets the criteria outlined in this policy. The Waiver Care Manager and member work collaboratively to establish Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) in the home.
- II. CareSource will reimburse independent providers for services utilized through the MyCare/Waiver program when approved by CareSource Care Manager or designee and on service plans.
- III. Independent providers must obtain prior authorization for services before services are performed.
- IV. Independent providers must complete their review of the All Service Plan (ASP) on the Waiver portal and attest and acknowledge ASP for all service plan changes.

The ADMINISTRATIVE Policy Statement detailed above has received due consideration as defined in the ADMINISTRATIVE Policy Statement Policy and is approved.

- A. Please note attestation is required by CareSource and ODM.
- B. In order to comply with 42 CFR 441.301, the MyCare Ohio Plan (MCOPs) will be required to obtain provider signatures on the waiver service responsible for its implementation effective 12/31/18. This policy is not retroactive and is applicable to waiver service plans developed and/or updated on or after 12/31/18.

- V. Prior Authorization (PA) is required for all Waiver services that include long term services supports including: Waiver nursing and Waiver homecare attendant/aide, as well as other waiver services. RN assessment/consultation does not require PA at this time thru utilization management and are state plan codes.

- VI. Independent providers must submit their prior authorization number with their claim form, as well as appropriate HCPCS and/or CPT codes along with appropriate modifiers and valid ICD-10 diagnosis codes in accordance with Ohio Administrative Code (OAC).

- VII. Independent providers must submit their claims using their CareSource Waiver Tax ID number and National Provider Identifier (NPI).

- VIII. All Waiver providers must have an NPI number.
 - A. Effective November 25, 2019, ODM implemented a policy under OAC 5160-1-17 requiring all providers to obtain a National Provider Identifier (NPI) and keep it on file with ODM.

- E. Conditions of Coverage
NA

- F. Related Policies/Rules
NA

G. Review/Revision History

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Date Issued	02/17/2021	New policy
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H. References

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4. Ohio Home Care Waiver Program: Home Care Attendant Services Reimbursement Rates and Billing Procedures, OHIO ADMIN. CODE 5160-46-06.1 (2024). Accessed June 3, 2024. www.codes.ohio.gov
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