

Kansas Medicaid Utilization Management Guideline

Subject: Attendant Care 1915c – Home Community-Based Service (HCBS) Serious Emotional Disturbance Waiver

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Description

Attendant Care enables the participant to accomplish tasks or engage in activities that they would normally do themselves if they did not have a mental illness. Assistance is in the form of direct support, supervision and/or cuing so that the participant performs the task by him/her self. Such assistance most often relates to performance of Activities for Daily Living and Instrumental Activities for Daily Living and includes assistance with maintaining daily routines and/or engaging in activities critical to residing in their home and community.

Components:

1. Attendant care for the HCBS Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED) waiver is provided to a child whose mental health disorder affects their activities of daily living. It is specialized in the way it is provided based on how the child's therapist is working with the child. SED attendant care is designed to reinforce techniques from the child's primary therapist. SED attendant care is designed to help the child cope with their mental illness and provide them with someone to help work through emotional disturbances caused by the mental health disorder.
2. Transportation is provided as a part of this waiver service only between the participant's place of residence and other service sites in the community. The cost of transportation is included in the rate paid to providers of this service. KanCare MCOs will be responsible for all other transportation needs for the participant
3. Service must be intended to achieve the goals and/or objectives identified in the participant's individualized plan of care.

Clinical Indications

Eligibility Criteria:

- Member must be currently eligible for the Kansas HCBS SED Waiver.

State of Kansas Definition of Medical Necessity:

- Medical Necessity means that a health intervention for an otherwise covered category of service, is not specifically excluded from coverage, and is medically necessary, according to all of the following criteria:
 - Authority
 - Purpose
 - Scope
 - Evidence
 - Value

Additional Service Criteria:

Services support a person in his or her home or apartment, when the provider does not have round-the-clock responsibility for the person’s health and welfare. These services can be provided in other community settings, but are primarily furnished in a person’s home or apartment. Services provided at a work site must not be job task oriented. Services provided in an educational setting must not be educational in purpose or duplicate services required to be provided by the education institution. Services furnished to an individual who is an inpatient or resident of a hospital, nursing facility, intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities (ICF-IID), or institution for mental disease are not covered.

1. Attendant care on the SED waiver is designed to work with the child on skills identified by the Qualified Mental Health Professional (QMHP) or Licensed Mental Health Professional (LMHP) that are designed to help with the child’s mental health diagnosis. Clinical supervision is necessary to ensure the correct skills are being used. The SED waiver allows children to continue to receive therapy services from providers other than therapists at the Community Mental Health Center (CMHC). The Contractor-Designated LMHP is a licensed mental health professional that is providing therapy services to a child on the SED waiver. The LMHP in these cases is not directly associated with the CMHC.
2. Services must be recommended by a wraparound team, are subject to prior approval, and must be intended to achieve the goals or objectives identified in the participant's person-centered service plan in accordance with 42 CFR 441.301(c).
3. The attendant care worker must receive regularly scheduled clinical supervision from a person meeting the qualifications of a QMHP. The clinical supervisor has to be available at all times to provide back up, support, and/or consultation.

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Discussion/General Information

Allowed Modes(s) of Delivery:

- Individual
- Home-based
- Out of the home, community-based (non-school setting)

Limitations/Exclusions:

- Services must be prior authorized.
- Attendant Care does not duplicate any other Medicaid State Plan Service, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) services, or service otherwise available to recipient through existing service or plan benefits.

Provider qualifications:

- Have a high school diploma or equivalent.
- Must be 18 years of age and at least 3 years older than the youth.
- Completion of state approved training according to the curriculum approved by KDADS or DCF prior to providing the service. www.trainingteams.org
- Pass Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI), state child abuse check, adult abuse registry and motor vehicle screens.

Definitions

Not Applicable

References

Approved 2017 Application for 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services Waiver-SED Waiver, pg. 43-45.

Websites for Additional Information

[http://www.kdads.ks.gov/commissions/home-community-based-services-\(hcbs\)/program-list/sed-waiver](http://www.kdads.ks.gov/commissions/home-community-based-services-(hcbs)/program-list/sed-waiver)

History

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