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Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) Policy Transmittal

Policy Transmittal: 15-20

Applicable to:

- Long-term Care Provider Service Network (PSN)
- Comprehensive Long-term Care (LTC) Plan
- Managed Medical Assistance Health Maintenance Organization
- Managed Medical Assistance Provider Service Network
- Managed Medical Assistance Specialty Plan
- Children's Medical Services Network (CMSN) Plan

Re: Community Living Support Plan

Managed care plans are required to develop and implement a community living support plan to ensure compliance with Section 394.4574, Florida Statutes, related to behavioral health services provided to mental health residents of an assisted living facility (ALF) with a limited mental health (LMH) license (hereafter referred to as the LMH-ALF). (Attachment II, Exhibit II-A, Section V.E.1.b.(2)¹ and Attachment II, Exhibit II-B, Section V.D.7.a.) Managed care plans must ensure the community living support plan is implemented as written and updated annually. (Attachment II, Exhibit II-A, Section V.E.1.d.² and Attachment II, Exhibit II-B, Section V.D.7.f.)

The purpose of this policy transmittal is to inform managed care plans of changes in Florida law regarding the community living support plan requirements, which became effective July 1, 2015.

- The LMH-ALF must have a copy of each mental health resident's community living support plan and the cooperative agreement with the mental health care services provider, or provide written evidence that **a request for the community living support plan and the cooperative agreement was sent to the managed care plan within 72 hours after admission.** (See s. 429.075, F.S.)
- Managed care plans must ensure that the community living support plan and the cooperative agreement with the mental health care service provider are provided to the administrator of an LMH-ALF in which the mental health resident lives **within 30 days after the resident's admission.** Managed care plans must ensure that the community living support plan is updated at least annually, **or when there is a significant change in the resident's behavioral health status.** (See s. 394.4574, F.S.)

¹ The citation for the CMSN plan is Attachment I, Section V.D.1.b.(2).

² The citation for the CMSN plan is Attachment I, Section V.D.1.d.



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- Managed care plans must **conduct and document** consistent monitoring and implementation of community living support plans and cooperative agreements. (See s. 394.4574, F.S.)

Managed care plans are encouraged to access a complete version of the [2015 Florida Statutes](#), now available online, in order to ensure their compliance with these amended laws.

If you have any questions, please contact your Agency contract manager at (850) 412-4004.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Beth Kidder", written in a cursive style.

Beth Kidder
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