Update for Evidence-Based Treatment of Children Who Have Experienced Severe Trauma

Effective Date: October 1, 2021

Applies to:
- Advanced practice psychiatric nurse
- Licensed or provisional licensed psychologist, doctoral psychology intern;
- Licensed clinical social worker, licensed master social worker;
- Licensed or provisional licensed professional counselor;
- Licensed or provisional licensed marital and family therapist

PROGRAM UPDATE

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2021, the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) recognizes Child-Parent Psychotherapy (CPP) as one of the evidence-based practices (EBP) eligible for enhanced reimbursement when delivered to children who have experienced severe trauma. MO HealthNet enrolled providers must be on the national list of therapists rostered in CPP (https://childtrauma.ucsf.edu/cpp-provider-roster) in order to qualify for the enhanced payment.

More information about CPP is available at https://childparentpsychotherapy.com, including information about learning collaboratives. MHD will notify providers of additional training opportunities as they arise.

QUALIFYING EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES (EBP)

Enrolled MHD and/or contracted managed care plan practitioners who are certified in one or more of the following EBPs qualify for this program:
- Eye Movement Desensitization Reprocessing (EMDR) – certification validated via https://www.emdria.org/
- Trauma Focused Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT) – certification validated via https://www.moacts.org/ or https://tfcbt.org/members/
- Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) – certification validated via https://dbt-lbc.org/ or https://www.dbtmo.org/dbtmo1.0/
- Child-Parent Psychotherapy (CPP) – certification validated via https://childtrauma.ucsf.edu/cpp-provider-roster/

**BILLING REQUIREMENT**

Prior to submitting claims with the HK modifier to MHD, providers should email MHD.BehavioralHealth@dss.mo.gov in order to initiate validation of certification. For managed care claims, providers should contact the relevant MO HealthNet Managed Care Health Plan(s) with questions about validation of certification as procedures may vary.

**VALIDATION OF PROVIDER CREDENTIALS**

MHD and managed care health plans review the state and national EBP registries listed above to ensure that enrolled providers participating in the program are currently certified. Providers must email MHD.BehavioralHealth@dss.mo.gov and/or the relevant managed care health plan(s) if any changes in certification occur (e.g., loss of certification or name change).

Provider Bulletins are available on the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) website at http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/providers/pages/bulletins.htm. Bulletins will remain on the Provider Bulletins page only until incorporated into the provider manuals as appropriate, then moved to the Archived Bulletin page.

MO HealthNet News: Providers and other interested parties are urged to go to the MHD website at http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/ to subscribe to the electronic mailing list to receive automatic notifications of provider bulletins, provider manual updates, and other official MO HealthNet communications via E-mail.

The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage for:
- MO HealthNet Fee-for-Service
- MO HealthNet Managed Care

Questions regarding MO HealthNet Managed Care benefits should be directed to the patient’s MO HealthNet Managed Care health plan. Before delivering a service, please check the patient’s eligibility status by swiping the MO HealthNet card or by calling the Provider Communications Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System at 573-751-2896 and using Option One for the MO HealthNet ID card.

**Provider Communications Hotline**
573-751-2896