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DETERMINATION OF INSTITUTION FOR MENTAL DISEASE (IMD) STATUS OF RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT AGENCIES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

**Applies to: CHILDREN'S DIVISION LICENSED RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT
AGENCIES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

Effective date: March 15, 2022

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IMD ASSESSMENT

Per Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) [guidance](#), the Missouri Department of Social Services, with the assistance of Public Consulting Group, has completed an IMD assessment for each facility licensed by the Children' Division as a Residential Treatment Agency for Children and Youth, effective March 15, 2022.

The assessment [report](#) and facility [list](#) with IMD status are located on the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) website.

Per October 19, 2021, CMS [guidance](#), MHD has submitted an 1115 demonstration waiver application to CMS that includes qualified residential treatment programs. See MHD's public notice of the waiver application [here](#). If approved, this waiver will provide the state with a two-year transitional period to meet the 30-day average length of stay milestone for QRTPs that meet the definition of an IMD.

APPLICABILITY

The information in this bulletin applies to the MHD fee-for-service program and may apply to the MHD managed care program, as well. MHD's fee-for-service policies set the basic coverage policies for benefits and limitations in the managed care program. The managed care health plans have additional flexibilities in operating their respective programs, such as determining which services require prior authorization, and details required for claims submission. Certain services, such as pharmacy, are "carved out" of managed care and will be

paid through the fee-for-service program. To ensure your understanding of this bulletin's applicability to each managed care health plan, please contact your health plan directly, or contact MHD.MCCommunications@dss.mo.gov.

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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