Contingency Processing Method

Former Foster Care Children (FFCC) for Youth who Aged Out of Foster Care in Another State

Applicable Program

Texas Works

Functional Area

Data Collection; EDBC

Issue

Section 1002 of HR 6 requires HHSC to provide Former Foster Care Children (FFCC) Medicaid to youth who aged out of foster care at age 18 or older in a state other than Texas on or after January 1, 2023, and who were receiving Medicaid in that state when they aged out of foster care. This requirement also applies to presumptive eligibility for FFCC.

Currently, until automation changes can be implemented, youth who age out of foster care in their state of residence and move to Texas are not eligible for FFCC Medicaid. This population is only eligible for Medicaid for Transitioning Foster Care Youth (MTFCY) if they also had an Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (ICPC) agreement.

Contingency Processing Method (CPM)

Use these steps to allow an FFCC EDG to build for youth who aged out of foster care at age 18 or older in a state other than Texas on or after January 1, 2023, and who were receiving Medicaid in that state when they aged out of foster care.

1. Create a case and make all appropriate Data Collection entries for the client (including Step #2 below).

2. When you reach the **Individual-Information** page:

- Continue to follow current policy for when an applicant recently received benefits in another state: Verify the last month the benefits were issued. The following link may be used to contact agencies in other states to verify that a new Texas resident's benefits have ended in another state.

  Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Agencies:
  https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/by-state/by-state.html (Texas Works Handbook A-720, New Texas Residents)

- Answer YES to the question "Was the individual in Foster Care on their 18th Birthday?"

- In the **Type of Conservatorship** field, select Foster Care Conservatorship from the drop-down menu

- In the **If Yes, State:** field, select the appropriate state (verified in first bullet above) from the drop-down menu

- In the **Verification** field, select INT1010 from the drop-down menu

- Answer YES to the question "Did the individual age out of Foster Care under an ICPC agreement?"

- In the **ICPC Agreement Verification** field, select DFPS Verified from the drop-down menu

- Continue with Data Collection process

3. Once all Data Collection is complete, **STOP** before running EDBC. Submit a ticket through IT Help Central, selecting the TIERS Generic template.

Complete all required fields on the template.

In the text box for "Please describe any changes you made to the case", enter the following:

"Using CPM 1162893 to allow an FFCC EDG to build for youth who aged out of foster care at age 18 or older in a state other than Texas on or after January 1, 2023, and who were receiving Medicaid in that state when they aged out of foster care."

In the text box, also include the individual's TIERS Individual ID number and case number. Finally, state that the certification begin and end dates for the required data fix should both be the client's 18th birthday (**provide this date**), and that the FFCC should be TP93 (Non-Cash).

4. Level ll Help Desk will contact you with final instructions to advise you that a data fix has been applied and to provide any other instructions if needed.

5. Document in TIERS Case Comments "Using CPM 1162893 to allow an FFCC EDG to build for youth who aged out of foster care at age 18 or older in a state other than Texas on or after January 1, 2023, and who were receiving Medicaid in that state when they aged out of foster care."

Implementation Date

August 7, 2023

End Date

Will end with implementation of RITS 1126930 (release date not yet assigned)

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