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NOTIFICATION FOR PROVIDERS

Extends Open Enrollment

N.C. CHILD AND FAMILY IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE EXTENDS OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR STATEWIDE CHILD TREATMENT PROVIDER NETWORK

What is happening?

North Carolina's six Local Management Entities/Managed Care Organizations (LME/MCOs) launched the *NC Child and Family Improvement Initiative* on May 1, 2022, to create a statewide solution to the current pressing challenges of the service delivery system for youth in foster care.

Building on the early successes of the *NC Child and Family Improvement Initiative*, the LME/MCOs are moving forward to formalize a statewide network of child treatment providers to ensure that youth in the foster care system have continuity of care without delay when moving from one area of North Carolina to another.

The LME/MCOs are offering an open enrollment period for all child treatment providers. The open enrollment period *has now been extended through December 31, 2022* to ensure that children and adolescents have access to the services they need statewide.

When is this happening?

Open Enrollment for child treatment providers *will be extended until December 31, 2022.*

How is this affecting providers?

From August 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, all LME/MCOs are offering an open enrollment period for child Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility (PRTF), Level IV, Level III, Level II group and family, and Facility-Based Crisis (FBC) providers to ensure that children and adolescents have access to the services they need statewide.

Provider Action Required:

If you are a child PRTF, Level IV, Level III, Level II group and family, or FBC provider and want to join [Trillium's network](#), please submit the [Request for Consideration Form](#) on or before

December 31 ,2022. Please note that your enrollment with NCTracks is a pre-requisite. Data for the provider agency, including NPI, taxonomy, sites, and affiliated clinicians, must all be in NCTracks to continue to contract with Partners or to make changes to your contract with Partners.

We encourage you to contract with each LME/MCO to maximize statewide resources and service access for children and adolescents.

For more information about becoming an in-network provider, please use the following links:

-  [Alliance Health](#) (Cumberland, Durham, Johnston, Mecklenburg, Orange and Wake counties)
-  [Eastpointe](#) (Duplin, Edgecombe, Greene, Lenoir, Robeson, Sampson, Scotland, Warren, Wayne and Wilson counties)
-  [Partners Health Management](#) (Burke, Cabarrus, Catawba, Cleveland, Davie, Forsyth, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Rutherford, Stanly, Surry, Union, and Yadkin counties)
-  [Sandhills Center](#) (Anson, Davidson, Guilford, Harnett, Hoke, Lee, Montgomery, Moore, Randolph, Richmond and Rockingham counties)
-  [Trillium Health Resources](#) (Beaufort, Bertie, Bladen, Brunswick, Camden, Carteret, Chowan, Columbus, Craven, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Halifax, Hertford, Hyde, Jones, Martin, Nash, New Hanover, Northampton, Onslow, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Pender, Perquimans, Pitt, Tyrrell, and Washington counties)
-  [Vaya Health](#) (Alamance, Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, Caldwell, Caswell, Chatham, Cherokee, Clay, Franklin, Graham, Granville, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Person, Polk, Rowan, Stokes, Swain, Transylvania, Vance, Watauga, Wilkes, and Yancey counties)

What if a provider does not want to join an LME/MCO network at this time?

For providers who do not want to join an LME/MCO network, all LME/MCOs are offering out-of-network agreements for community-based and non-hospital services. While the NC DHHS directs reimbursement for these services to be 90% of the Medicaid rate, the LME/MCOs have agreed to pay at least 100% of the Medicaid rate for these services to strengthen statewide network and service capacity.

Who should providers contact with questions?

If you have questions, please contact us, [with a form submission](#)

To learn more about the NC Child and Family Improvement Initiative

Opioid Remediation Programs

EXTENDED UNTIL September 16, 2022

Trillium is accepting proposals to support opioid remediation programs throughout the 28 county coverage area.

These funds are restricted to the following uses:

1. To purchase low-cost naloxone and other supplies like lock boxes and distribute them free of charge to harm reduction programs located in the 28 counties covered by Trillium for the purpose of reducing the number of opioid-related overdoses and deaths.
2. To purchase all forms of medications approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of opioid use disorder and distribute them free of charge to jails located in the 28 county coverage area.
3. To fund community-based opioid treatment programs located in the 28 counties that provide opioid agonist treatment or facilitate the provision of opioid agonist treatment from other providers.
4. To purchase equipment for local opioid use disorder treatment programs located in the 28 counties to enable rapid analysis of opioids and other drugs causing overdose and overdose related deaths.

Trillium is focused on increasing health equity and will prioritize funding in counties that are Tier I and programs operated by historically underutilized providers. Tier I counties include Columbus, Bladen, Jones, Hyde, Tyrrell, Washington, Martin, Bertie, Pasquotank, Chowan, Hertford, Northampton, Halifax and Nash. Trillium will focus resources on programs that address marginalized populations to include the uninsured and underinsured, people with disabilities, black, indigenous or people of color and areas that experience health care disparities throughout our 28 covered counties. For example to start a needle exchange program or purchase needles and sharp deposits.

Trillium is requesting proposals from our counties, community partners, healthcare providers, schools and universities, and faith based communities to provide these options to the people who live, work and play in our 28 counties. Interested parties should submit a proposal that follows the above funding restrictions to Cindy.Ehlers@TrilliumNC.org and in the subject line include, "RE: Opioid Remediation Request for Funding" by September 16, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

Please include the following in your written proposal:

- 🌱 Specific county, counties, or cities within Trillium's 28 counties the funding will support.
- 🌱 Specific area(s) in 1-4 (above) for which you are requesting funding. If you are requesting funding of medications for jails, please include a letter of support from the local sheriff.
- 🌱 Please also include the amount of funding you are requesting along with information supporting estimates. For example, if you are going to propose that you will purchase

500 Naloxone kits or other supplies and distribute them free of charge include an estimate for the number of naloxone kits (or other supplies) and the estimated price from the vendor you plan to use.

- ♻️ If you are going to purchase equipment for local opioid treatment programs that enable rapid analysis of opioids and other drugs causing overdose-related deaths please attach the estimate from the vendor for the equipment
- ♻️ The funds are one-time funds so it is not recommended to use them for staffing. Proposals that include staffing will not receive a high priority for ongoing staffing costs. Proposals that include staffing costs in the request for funding must demonstrate that the staff do not serve ANY other funding source other than individuals without insurance or if staff costs are included they should be based on the % these funds needed to cover the % of the position for the service to this population only. This funding cannot be used to subsidize staffing for programs that already bill Trillium or any other health plan in NC for private insurance, Medicaid, Medicare or State dollars or receive non-ucr state funding or any kind or who receive funding from county or local municipalities for the same purpose. Proposals that do not include this information will not be reviewed or considered to assure that Trillium is a good steward of these settlement dollars. Trillium will notify parties that have already submitted a proposal if additional information is needed to be considered.

Trillium Opioid Remediation Program Q&A

DO NOT REPLY to this email, as this is an unmonitored email address. If you have any questions please send an email to NetworkManagement@TrilliumNC.org.

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