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LOCAL COMMISSIONERS MEMORANDUM

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Date: August 14, 1992

Division: Medical Assistance

TO: Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: Child/Teen Health Plan

ATTACHMENTS: Child/Teen Health Plan (available on-line)

This is a reminder that your district has a Child/Teen Health Plan on file with the State which was submitted in 1985. In accordance with Department Regulations, 18 NYCRR 508.2 (a), revisions or amendments to your initial plan must be submitted in writing for State approval.

If your plan is out of date and no longer reflects your district's activities, complete the attached form and mail to: Barbara Meg Frankel, New York State Department of Social Services, Division of Medical Assistance, 40 North Pearl Street, Albany, New York 12243. You may also obtain a copy of your plan on file by writing to this address. Assistance with plan completion will be provided at the Fall Regional C/THP Training Sessions.

Please remember that EPSDT (C/THP) is a mandated service. Only section II-E of the plan, tracking and follow-up, represents an optional function. All other functions are required and must be provided by local district or contract staff.

Questions regarding this transmittal, training or the plan should be addressed to Sandy Hann at (518)486-4168, user I.D. #OPM050.

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cc: C/THP Coordinators w/attachment

Child/Teen Health Plan

Name of County Completing Plan:
Name of Person Completing Plan:
Title of Person Completing Plan:
Date of Plan Completion:

I. General Information

1. The average number of individuals in this county eligible for the Child/Teen Health Plan (C/THP) is _____.

Identify source of information:

2. The administrative responsibility for C/THP in this agency is placed in:

Services	
Medical Assistance	
Income Maintenance	
Contract with separate a	agency
Other (explain)	

3. The composition of the C/THP Unit is as follows: (Include job titles and indicate approximate percentages of time spent on C/THP functions.)

- 4. Attach an organizational chart showing C/THP administration in relationship to your district's organizational structure in general.
- 5. Attach a diagram or flowchart showing the process by which a client is informed, requests and receives C/THP services from your agency. Administrative Units (i.e. M.A., Intake) and job titles/positions of staff involved should be shown. (Narrative description is acceptable).

II. Plan Components

Please indicate for each of the following plan requirements the actions this agency initiate(s):

A. Identification of Medicaid-eligible Children

<u>Plan Requirement</u> - Timely and on-going identification of Child/Teen Health Plan eligibles. Identification entails obtaining the names, addresses, birth dates, case names and numbers, and eligibility status of the population 0-21 years of age. Eligibles who must be identified include ADC, MA-only, HR, Foster Care and SSI.

Identification of eligibles is accomplished through the following efforts: (check all which apply)

- 1. Identification of ADC, HR, MA-only
 - a. Daily receipt by the C/THP Unit of the WMS Authorization DSS-3209 for cases with eligibles
 - b. Completion of the DSS-2400, Request for Child/Teen Health Plan Services at initial application and transmittal to the Child/Teen Health Plan Unit.
 - c. Completion of the automated DSS-2400, available through BICS.
 - d. Local Automated Identification
 - o receipt of computer printout with complete listing of all C/THP eligibles
 - o receipt of separate monthly printouts for up-dating cases (additions, deletions, closings)

e. Other (explain) _____

2. Identification of Special Populations

a. SSI

- o receipt of SDX tapes
- o receipt of DSS-3209
- o receipt of manual listing of SSI eligibles
- o Other (explain) _____

b. Foster Care

- o receipt of DSS-3209
- receipt of a manual listing of all MA-eligible foster children from responsible Unit within Agency
- o Other (explain) _____
- 3. Identification of Target Populations
 - a. Newborns
 - o special agreements for direct notification by hospitals
 - o issuance of CINS to newborns with tickler file indicating expected date of delivery

o Other (explain) _____

b. Pregnant Women

- o referrals from other agencies
- o referrals from other units within LDSS
- o Other (explain) _____

- c. Other populations targeted by the State
 - o State issued Outreach Report
- d. Other populations targeted by this district (describe population(s) and methods of identification)

B. <u>Informing</u>

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<u>Plan Requirement</u> - All eligible individuals (identified in Sect. II-A) or their families must be informed orally and/or informed in writing within <u>60 days</u> of eligibility determination of the availability of Child/Teen Health Plan Services. In addition, written notification must be provided to all Child/Teen Health Plan eligible families at least annually.

Informing eligibles is accomplished through the following efforts: (check all which apply)

1. Written materials are:

0	distributed at the time of application	
ο	distributed at the time of re-application	
0	mailed with the notice of eligibility determination	
0	mailed with Public Assistance check	
0	mailed to C/THP eligible SSI recipients within 60 days of identification	
ο	mailed to foster parent when applicable	
ο	mailed to institutions and child-caring agencies	
0	locally developed (attached for State approval)	
0	State developed/published	
<u>Annu</u>	al written notification is fulfilled by:	
0	New York State Department of Social Services mail-out	
0	Local district mail-out	

2. Oral Informing

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Indicate for new and re-open cases:

o Which staff perform the oral informing?

	<u>New Cases</u>	<u>Re-Open Cases</u>
PA		
MA		
C/THP		
(identify)		
Services C/THP Other (identify)		

o When does oral informing take place?

	New Cases	<u>Re-Open Cases</u>
At application 1st Recert. Other		

o Where does this informing normally take Place?

	<u>New Cases</u>	<u>Re-Open Cases</u>
LDSS Office Satellite Office Client's Home Health Facility Other (explain)		

- Elements covered in the informing interview (check all which apply)
 - o value of preventive health care
 - o availability of C/THP examinations
 - o explanation of other medical and dental services available
 - o where and how to obtain services

- o availability of transportation and scheduling assistance
- o other support services available
- o services are free
- o managed care options
- o Other (explain) _____

3. <u>Documentation of informing</u>

Signed DSS-2400

Other (explain)

4. Informing the Handicapped, Illiterate, or non-English speaking

The local social services district is responsible for providing appropriate notification to individuals (i.e. blind, deaf and those who cannot read or understand the English language) who may have problems understanding the usual C/THP presentation.

Appropriate informing methods are used for all populations (explain or attach copies of materials

5. Informing Target Populations

Explain any special procedures you may follow to inform these populations: (Attach separate pages if necessary)

- o newborns
- o pregnant women
- o local district designated populations
- o state designated populations

C. Child/Teen Health Plan Examinations - Medical/Dental

<u>Plan Requirement</u> - Assistance with arranging for a C/THP examination shall be provided when requested. Recipients must be provided the names, addresses and phone numbers of available participating providers. (Medical, Dental, Optical, etc.) Transportation and support services must be offered and provided when requested.

- 1. The following procedures are in place: (check all which apply)
 - C/THP examinations and other necessary medical services are offered
 - listing of available C/THP examination providers is maintained and made available to recipients
 - o listing of available dental providers is maintained and made available to recipients
 - listing of available optical providers is maintained and made available to recipients
 - listing of available specialty providers is maintained and made available to recipients
 - o appointments are arranged when assistance is requested
 - o transportation and other support services are routinely offered and provided when requested
 - o other (explain) _____

D. Diagnosis and Treatment

<u>Plan Requirement</u> - When the C/THP examination indicates the need for further evaluation and/or treatment, follow-up care or a referral must be provided without delay. (Within 6 months of the date of C/THP exam request at a maximum.)

- 1. C/THP exam providers are responsible for providing or arranging for all necessary follow-up care
- 2. Local district staff assist with making appointments when requested
- 3. Resource listing of other MMIS participating providers is maintained

E. Tracking and Follow-up (Optional)

The local district may maintain a system which would enable them to track and monitor C/THP services for individual recipients.

- 1. Tracking is accomplished by: (check as applicable) (optional)
 - o maintaining a tickler file
 - o maintaining a log book
 - o computer case management
 - o other (explain)
- 2. The agency notifies the following individuals when due for periodic C/THP examinations: (Optional)
 - o all C/THP participants
 - o target populations
 - o newborns through first year
 - o other populations (list if applicable)

3. Client failure to keep appointments: (optional)

- o Providers are encouraged to contact the C/THP Unit or appropriate local district staff if appointments are broken
- Client counseling is provided by C/THP Unit or other appropriate staff
- Client reminders are issued to encourage rescheduling of appointments

	0	Other (explain)	
4.	perio	ddition, the agency tracks for odic examinations according to the odicity schedule. (Optional)	
5.	revie	pient utilization of medical services is ewed for receipt of follow-up care through ct contact with: (Optional)	
	0	provider	
		client	
		other (explain)	
6.		vidual recipient's health care record aintained and routinely up-dated.(Optional)	
Coon	dinat:	ion with Related Programs	

<u>Plan Requirement</u> - The local district must make good faith efforts to locate providers who will furnish services not covered under Medicaid. An attempt should be made to locate providers whose services are furnished at little or no expense to recipients.

- 1. Referrals are made to other appropriate agencies and/or providers for clients with specific needs.
- 2. These agencies/providers include: (check those which apply)
 - o WIC

F.

- o County Health Department
- o Head Start
- o Other (list)
- G. <u>Encouraging Client Involvement in the C/THP and Preventive Health</u> <u>Care</u>

<u>Plan Requirement</u> - Local district C/THP staff should emphasize the value of preventive health care for C/THP eligibles and their families.

Client education is accomplished through the following:

o Ongoing contacts with client which emphasize appropriate use of the health care system

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0	Community outreach efforts		
	0	Health fairs	
	ο	Human services interagency meetings	
	0	Public service announcements	
		T.V.	
		Radio	
		Newspaper	
	0	Managed care programs	
	0	Other (explain)	

H. <u>Continuing Care Providers (Optional)</u>

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Continuing care provider means a comprehensive health care provider who enters into a formal agreement with the Medicaid agency to provide at least the following continuing care services: screening, diagnosis and treatment; maintenance of consolidated health history, including information from other providers; physician services as needed; and reports required by the Medicaid agency.

- 1. The agency has C/THP eligibles enrolled in continuing care arrangements such as:
 - o Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs) Prepaid Plans

If yes, Name of Plans Number of Enrollees

o Other managed care programs (indicate name of program and number of enrollees)

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I. C/THP Advisory Council

<u>Plan Requirement</u> - The local district must assemble an outreach advisory council which will meet at least annually to develop and monitor a plan for increasing recipient and provider participation in C/THP.

- 1. Establishment of C/THP Advisory Council (date)
 - a. Month of Annual Advisory Council meetings (date)
 - b. Additional meeting dates (Optional)
- 2. Members of Advisory Council (list agency, organization, provider group, etc.)