

WV CSED Waiver Frequently Asked Questions 7-13-2020

1. Can I apply for CSEDW services while I am on the IDD Waiver waitlist?

Yes. However, you cannot be on both Waivers at the same time. Although youth with co-occurring diagnoses are eligible, they must be able to cognitively benefit from the CSED Waiver services.

2. Can the Medical Card be used as proof of WV Residency?

Yes.

3. My child is not in residential treatment or in out of state treatment. Can I still apply for this waiver on behalf of my child?

Yes.

4. I just had a psychological report completed; can I just use that report for eligibility?

No. The psychologist must be an approved evaluator by the MECA (Medical Eligibility Contracted Agent) and there are specific tools and/or tests required for the CSED Waiver. It will be beneficial to provide the independent evaluator a copy of the recently completed psychological as well as any other pertinent medical records.

5. How do I apply for LBHC designation?

Contact the West Virginia Health Care Authority at <https://hca.wv.gov> or 304-558-7000 to obtain information about becoming a Licensed Behavioral Health Center (LBHC). The Office of Health Facility Licensure and Certification (OHFLAC) will then need to be contacted to certify the program. Contact OHFLAC at <https://ohflac.wvdhhr.org> or 304-558-0050.

6. Can I keep the same therapist who is currently my Safe at Home Therapist if I get this waiver?

Yes, if the existing therapist is employed by a company that is enrolled to provide CSED services.

7. Can I receive Safe at Home Services while on this waiver?

No. Once a youth is awarded a waiver slot, their Safe At Home services must stop.

8. Does my child need to be in foster care to apply for this waiver?

No.

9. How long does the CSED Waiver last?

Eligibility must be re-established annually. However, this Waiver is not for long term services. The length of the stay of is based upon the individual child's needs with an expected average of 6-9 months.

10. What happens if my child is placed/currently in a residential facility when applying for CSED Waiver?

Individuals who are deemed eligible for the CSEDW program have up to 180 days to access services on the program from the date of eligibility determination. These 180 days can assist BCF (Bureau for Children and Families) with finding placement for children/youth approved for the CSEDW program who are currently in either in-state or out-of-state placement. If services are not accessed within 180 days, the child/youth will be discharged from the CSEDW program.

11. Are personal options available for CSEDW? Is using PPL an option?

Not currently.

12. Is there a specific list of diagnoses that are eligible for the CSED Waiver?

No, there is not a set of specific SED diagnoses for this waiver. Each applicant will be reviewed by an IP (Independent Psychologist) who evaluates the overall functioning of the child.

13. How long does it take to go through the referral process?

60 days from the date the evaluation is completed by the IP (Independent Psychologist) an eligibility decision must be made by the MECA (Medical Eligibility Contract Agent). Other variables include the time to get the referral packet/application completed and the number of days until an appointment with an IP can be scheduled. If there are appeals, it may also lengthen the time.

14. How do I appeal an eligibility decision?

If a member is determined not to be medically eligible, then the member or parent/legal representative will receive a written decision. A Request for Hearing form that includes free legal resources, and the results of the reassessment is included. This notice is also sent to the member's case manager and Aetna Better Health. The termination may be appealed through the Medicaid Fair Hearing process if the Request for Hearing form is submitted to the Board of Review within 90 calendar days of receipt of the Notice of Decision.

15. If I an existing member is determined to no longer meet criteria for the program can they re-apply?

Yes.

16. Where do you get an application for the CSED Waiver?

The initial form is located on BMS (Bureau for Medical Services) and KEPRO's web site. You may also contact KEPRO at 1-844-304-7107 or wvcsedw@kepro.com.

17. Does a psychiatrist/physician have to sign the CSED Waiver Person-Centered Service Plan?

No, they do not have to sign the CSED Waiver Person-Centered Service Plan (PCSP). However, please refer to the LBHC licensing regulations if you are only doing one PCSP and it includes medication being prescribed by your agency. <http://ohflac.wvdhhr.org/laws>