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Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) Policy Transmittal: 2023-22

Applicable to the **2018-2024 SMMC contract benefits** for:

- Managed Medical Assistance (MMA) and MMA Specialty
- Long-Term Care (LTC)
- Dental

Re: Ad Hoc Request for Reporting – Monthly Nursing Facility Child Information

The managed care plan is required to provide the Agency or its agents any other information or data relative to this contract in accordance with 42 CFR 438.604(b). In such instances, and at the direction of the Agency, the managed care plan must fully cooperate with such requests and furnish all data or information in a timely manner, in the format in which it is requested. The managed care plan must have at least thirty (30) days to fulfill such ad hoc requests unless the Agency directs the managed care plan to provide data or information in less than thirty (30) days. The managed care plan must certify that data and information it submits to the Agency is accurate, truthful, and complete in accordance with 42 CFR 438.606. (MMA & LTC: Attachment II, Section XVI.A.1.b.). The purpose of this policy transmittal is to notify the managed care plan of a monthly ad hoc reporting requirement for additional information related to the children residing in nursing facilities. The managed care plan must use the attached template “Nursing Facility Children V.A.3 Template – SMMC” to report the requested information for the applicable time period.

An Order of Injunction (Document 1171) was issued by the federal court in *United States v. Florida*, No. 12-60460-CV-MIDDLEBROOKS/Hunt (S.D. Fla.), on July 14, 2023. The injunction directs the State to collect and maintain data for each Nursing Facility (NF) Child. Specifically, for each NF Child, the State must collect data recording “the child’s name, unique ID number, Nursing Facility of residence, date of Nursing Facility admission, date of planned discharge (if any), primary care physician’s name, (...) managed care plan (if any), parent(s)/guardian(s)’ name(s) and contact information, and whether a NF Child’s parents/guardians oppose the child’s placement in the Community, and if so, the date(s) on which such opposition was expressed and the reasons for the expressed opposition.”

For the purpose of this policy transmittal and per the Order of Injunction, NF Child is defined as “individuals who live in Nursing Facilities, have Complex Medical Needs, and either (1) are under 30 years of age and began living in a Nursing Facility before reaching 21 years of age, or (2) are under 21 years of age. A NF Child who is hospitalized remains, during the period of hospitalization, a NF Child.”

The managed care plan must submit the completed ad hoc report to the Agency’s SMMC_CY18-23 (port 443) secure file transfer protocol (SFTP) site in the AdHoc/MIDDLEBROOKS-Hunt (DOJ)/Monthly NF Child Reporting V(A)(3) subfolder located within the managed care plan’s designated folder path. The managed care plan must use the file naming convention “XXXyyyymmNFChild“, where “XXX” is the managed care plan’s three-



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character identifier, “yyyymm” corresponds to the four-digit year and two-digit month of the reporting month, and the seven-character identifier for this report: “NFChild”.

The managed care plan must submit the initial completed ad hoc report for the month of September 2023 to the Agency by 5:00 p.m. EST on Monday, November 13, 2023. Reporting for the month of October 2023 shall be submitted by November 15, 2023. All subsequent monthly reports shall be submitted to the Agency by the tenth of the month following the reporting month.

If you have any questions, please contact your Agency contract manager.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'AN', is positioned above the typed name.

Austin Noll
Deputy Secretary for Medicaid Policy, Quality
and Operations

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Attachment: Nursing Facility V.A.3 Template – SMMC