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# Global Commitment Register

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## **Children's Personal Care Services – Parents and Family Members**

### **Policy Summary:**

The Vermont Medicaid program allows legally responsible individuals, including parents and other family members, to provide children's personal care services beyond the end of the federal COVID-19 public health emergency.

This was put in place as a temporary option on March 15, 2020, to ensure access to medically necessary personal care services through the Children's Personal Care Services (CPCS) program overseen by the Vermont Department of Health (See [GCR 20-044](#)). Vermont Medicaid obtained 1115 Global Commitment to Health Waiver authority to continue payment to legally responsible individuals beyond the end of the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Health Care Administrative Rule 4.233 titled Children's Personal Care Services outlines the conditions for payment for legally responsible relatives and will be adopted according to the Vermont Administrative Procedures Act. Conditions for payment include:

- Legally responsible individuals must provide an attestation to the Children's Personal Care Program that children's personal care services are unavailable from a personal care attendant due to significant and recurring barriers, and that they are able to deliver the medically necessary children's personal care services to the beneficiary.
- All providers of CPCS, including legally responsible relatives, must meet all existing requirements as described under the Medicaid State Plan, including Electronic Visit Verification requirements.

### **Effective Date:**

May 11, 2023

### **Authority/Legal Basis:**

[Medicaid State Plan](#)

[Global Commitment to Health Waiver](#)

**Population Affected:** Children under 21

### **Fiscal Impact:**

This change is expected to be budget neutral.

**Public Comment Period:**

The public comment period ended May 30, 2023. One comment was received in support of this change. [The comment can be found here.](#)

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**Additional Information:**

[Vermont Department of Health Children's Personal Care Services program information](#)