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Global Commitment Register

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Children's Integrated Services Eligibility Screening and Referral

Policy Summary:

The Vermont Medicaid program established payment for eligibility screening and referral activities in the Children's Integrated Services (CIS) program. CIS provides health promotion, prevention, and early intervention services to pregnant and postpartum individuals, infants, and children. Providers will be reimbursed at a rate of \$350 per session for conducting developmental, social emotional, or health eligibility screenings and referral activities for individuals who then are not enrolled in the CIS program by establishing a One Plan (the CIS plan of care). It is expected that CIS eligibility screening and referral will be needed no more than once every six months.

This aligns with Vermont's universal screening aim, and supports upstream services for pregnant people, young children, and their families, by linking them with other appropriate community supports through the referral, intake, and eligibility processes of this program. Early and periodic screenings are a key to ensuring that children receive appropriate, preventative health and developmental services.

Effective Date: April 29, 2024

Authority/Legal Basis: Medicaid State Plan

<u>Global Commitment to Health Waiver</u>: Waiver authority #5 [Section 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30)]; Special Term and Condition #6.8.

Population Affected: Pregnant and postpartum individuals, infants, and children.

Fiscal Impact: This change is expected to be budget neutral.

Public Comment Period:

The public comment period ended May 27, 2024. No comments were received.



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