



Medicaid Tribal Consultation

Disaster and Emergency Authorities

Policy Change	Approved Effective Date	State Requested/ Approved End Date	Federal Authority
State Plan Services			
<p>Autism Treatment Due to COVID-19, Montana Medicaid is temporarily removing face-to-face Autism treatment service requirements.</p> <p>All Montana Medicaid Board Certified Behavior Analyst BCBA's will be allowed to provide Autism services in the office setting so long as such services are medically necessary.</p>	March 1, 2020	Duration of the Presidential and Secretarial emergency declarations related to the COVID-19 outbreak (or any renewals)	Disaster Relief State Plan Amendment
<p>COVID-19 Drug Treatment The state will cover COVID-19 drug treatment provided for through Emergency Use Authorization regardless of rebate or language in Supplement to Attachments 3.1-A/B of the Montana Medicaid State Plan that precludes coverage of investigational/experimental treatments.</p>	March 1, 2020	Duration of the Presidential and Secretarial emergency declarations related to the COVID-19 outbreak (or any renewals)	Disaster Relief State Plan Amendment
<p>Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Comprehensive School and Community Treatment (CSCT) Montana schools were closed mid-March and children across the state were transitioned to online learning. Montana is committed to continuing mental health services for children as required in the EPSDT service.</p> <p>CSCT is a bundled EPSDT school based rehabilitative service including: Individual Therapy, Group Therapy, Family Therapy and Community Based Psychiatric Rehabilitation and Support.</p> <p>CSCT reimbursement used the methodology approved through December 31, 2019, through June 30, 2020.</p>	March 1, 2020	June 30, 2020 * * A regular State Plan Amendment has been submitted effective July 1, 2020, and is pending approval with CMS	Disaster Relief State Plan Amendment

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1915(c) Home and Community Based Services Waivers			
<p>* Montana Big Sky Home and Community Based Waiver * Montana Home and Community Based Waiver for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities * Montana Behavioral Health Severe Disabling Mental Illness Home and Community Based Services Adds a new type of service provider under Personal Health and Safety Items.</p>	January 27, 2020	Duration of the Presidential and Secretarial emergency declarations related to the COVID-19 outbreak (or any renewals)	Appendix K
<p>* Montana Big Sky Home and Community Based Waiver * Montana Home and Community Based Waiver for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities * Montana Behavioral Health Severe Disabling Mental Illness Home and Community Based Services State settings initial and annual reviews for the HCBS Final Rule will be reviewed through a phone call with the administrator/ director/ owner and outcomes will be addressed via telephone, e-mail or mail. The on-site assessment will be scheduled with the setting when local or facility restrictions allow.</p> <p>* Montana Home and Community Based Waiver for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities Specifies that identified providers may be reimbursed for tiered services if daytime staffing does not fall below 50%. Appropriate safeguards for health and safety must exist.</p>	January 27, 2020	Duration of the Presidential and Secretarial emergency declarations related to the COVID-19 outbreak (or any renewals)	Appendix K
<p>* Montana Behavioral Health Severe Disabling Mental Illness Home and Community Based Services In response to member concerns, adds a participant-directed option for Behavioral Intervention Assistant (BIA) and Life Coach, effective July 1, 2020.</p>	Proposed January 27, 2020 * * Pending approval with CMS	Duration of the Presidential and Secretarial emergency declarations related to the COVID-19 outbreak (or any renewals)	Appendix K