Home Care Initiatives (HCI)

Community Based Services, Clinical Policy Section

- Private Duty Nursing (PDN) - Policy 3G-1 & 3G-2
- Home Health Services – Policy 3A
- Hospice – Policy 3D
- Home Infusion Therapy – Policy 3H1

Transition Background

- 1915 (c) Waiver – Community Alternatives Program for Children (CAP/C) Compliance

- Nursing Servicing Provided Under the Waiver as well as NC State Plan

- Transition Beneficiaries’ Nursing Services from the CAP/C Waiver to State Plan Private Duty Nursing

- Ensure Beneficiaries Receiving Nursing Under the CAP/C Waiver Would Not Lose Services
Policy Review Process and Timeline

  – Policies posted for public comment

• February 2017
  – Provider & stakeholder informational sessions

• Spring 2017
  – Implementation of policies
Private Duty Nursing Policy Development

Policy Considerations:

• Assist with CAP/C Waiver Amendment:
  – Support CAP/C Waiver Compliance
  – CAP/C Remove Nursing Services from Waiver
  – Minimize Loss of Coverage for CAP/C Waiver Beneficiaries

• Separate PDN Services Policy (3G) into Two Policies:
  – Beneficiaries 0-20 Years of Age – 3G2 Children
  – Beneficiaries 21 Years and Older – 3G1 Adult
PDN Policy: Planned Changes, Revisions, Modifications
Planned Policy Modifications

• Certification Period from 60 to 90 days

• PDN Nurse Experience Requirement

• Expansion of Expertise Areas for Nursing Supervisor

• Modify the Health Criteria for the Children’s Policy
  (Policy 3G2 – 0 to 20 Years)
Planned Policy Modifications

• Implement New Initial Referral Authorization Process

  Provisional Prior Authorization (PA)
  • 30 Day Period
  • Requires a Signed Physician Order with Supporting Status Documentation
  • Employment Attestation

  Continuation PA
  • Day 31 – 90 of Initial Certification Period
  • Employment Verification Letter/Form
  • Signed 485 – Demonstrate Status Tenure or Changes
  • Provider Consent to Treat
Discussion: Certification Period
Discussion: Nurse Experience Requirement
Discussion: Health Criteria
Discussion:
Initial Authorization Process and Documentation
Questions/Additional Comments
What’s Next?

• Finalize Draft Policy for PAG
• Post for Public Comment
• Revise and Finalize Policies
• Provider/Stakeholder Informational Sessions
• Proposed Policies Effective Date: Spring 2017
Thank You

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