

MEDICAID POLICY INFORMATION SHEET

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Initial

Public Comment

Final

Brief description of policy:

To expand eligibility for Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) up to age 26 for those who otherwise meet CSHCS medical eligibility criteria.

Reason for policy (problem being addressed):

Eligibility for CSHCS services and supports currently ends at age 21 for all beneficiaries, with the exception of those with cystic fibrosis, hemophilia, and sickle cell disease. Expansion up to age 26 was recently included in the approved MDHHS FY24 budget (PA 119 of 2023).

Budget implication:

budget neutral

will cost MDHHS \$ 4 million, and is budgeted in current appropriation

will save MDHHS \$

Is this policy change mandated per federal requirements?

No

Does policy have operational implications on other parts of MDHHS?

There will be operational impacts for Program Review Division, as well as claims processing. Those areas have been contacted regarding these impacts.

Does policy have operational implications on other departments?

None

Summary of input:

controversial

acceptable to most/all groups

limited public interest/comment

Supporting Documentation:

State Plan Amendment Required: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Public Notice Required: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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<p>Policy Subject: Children’s Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) Eligibility Expansion Up to Age 26</p> <p>Affected Programs: CSHCS</p> <p>Distribution: All Providers</p> <p>Summary: Effective October 1, 2023, Children’s Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) will expand eligibility for program services up to age 26 for those who otherwise meet medical eligibility criteria. All services currently offered to beneficiaries up to age 21 will now be available to beneficiaries up to age 26.</p> <p>Purpose: Eligibility for CSHCS services and supports currently ends at age 21 for all beneficiaries, with the exception of those with cystic fibrosis, hemophilia, and sickle cell disease. Expansion up to age 26 was included in the approved MDHHS FY24 budget (PA 119 of 2023).</p> <p>Cost Implications: \$4 million, included in FY24 budget</p> <p>Potential Hearings & Appeal Issues: None</p>

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Proposed Policy Draft

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services
Behavioral & Physical Health and Aging Services Administration

Distribution: All Providers

Issued: March 1, 2024 (Proposed)

Subject: Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) Eligibility Expansion
Up to Age 26

Effective: As Indicated (Proposed)

Programs Affected: CSHCS

The purpose of this policy is to expand Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) eligibility up to age 26 for those otherwise medically eligible, for whom eligibility would have previously ended at age 21.

CSHCS covers over 2,700 medical diagnoses that are chronic and severe in nature, requiring care by a medical or surgical subspecialist. Diagnosis alone does not guarantee medical eligibility for CSHCS. Effective October 1, 2023, to be medically eligible, the individual must:

- Have at least one of the CSHCS qualifying diagnoses;
- Be within the age limits of the program:
 - Under the age of 26; or
 - Age 26 and older with cystic fibrosis, hereditary coagulation defects commonly known as hemophilia, or hereditary red blood cell disorders commonly known as sickle cell disease; and
- Meet the medical evaluation criteria during the required medical review period as determined by a MDHHS medical consultant regarding the level of severity, chronicity and need for treatment.

CSHCS beneficiaries medically eligible for enrollment up to age 26 will have access to all CSHCS services and supports needed for their eligible diagnosis(es). CSHCS covers services that are medically necessary, related to the beneficiary's qualifying diagnosis(es), and ordered by the beneficiary's CSHCS authorized specialist(s) or subspecialist(s). Those services can include general/enhanced dental supports, respite, case management/care coordination, insurance premium payment, and speech/physical/occupational therapies. Eligibility for services is based on an individual's qualifying diagnosis(es) and needs. Not all CSHCS beneficiaries will be eligible for all services.

CSHCS can offer retroactive coverage up to six months from time of enrollment. For those over the age of 21 and meeting retroactive eligibility criteria prior to the time of enrollment, CSHCS can issue retroactive coverage back to, but not earlier than October 1, 2023. All other policy standards for eligibility, application, and financial determination remain unchanged.