Children's Special Health Care Services
Integrated Operational Services
Policy & Procedure Manual

Revised Provider Policy -
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Title: Provider's Authority Associated with a Linkage

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Purpose: **To summarize the authority conveyed to a CSHCS Provider when a Participant is "Linked" to them for Primary Care, Specialty Care & Basic Dental Care.**

Rule References:

410 IAC 3.2-7-2 Basic services included in the health care services package
410 IAC 3.2-7-2(b) (1) Primary care visits conducted by approved providers in accordance with …
410 IAC 3.2-7-2(b) (2) Secondary care visits at approved providers for medically necessary …
410 IAC 3.2-7-3 Limited health care services included in the health care service package
410 IAC 3.2-7-3(b) Available funds may be utilized to … pay for… the following health care services authorized as appropriate to the eligible medical condition … of an enrolled child: …
410 IAC 3.2-7-3(c) The CSHCN program shall only provide or pay for health care services … set forth in subsection (a) or (b) if the director has approved the health care services as necessary or appropriate for the conditions, as listed under subsection (d), (e), or (f).
410 IAC 3.2-7-3(g) The director shall have the authority to determine medical eligibility and the services … to be provided under the program.

Policy: **When participants are "Linked" to primary, specialty or dental care providers it is for a long-term treatment relationship. This linkage serves as authorization for treatment of the Basic Services in the Health Care Services Package, or Basic Dental Services, as authorized**

by the Director. Linkages may be made to individual practitioners, clinics or hospitals. Specifically:

- **Linkage to a Primary Care Physician (or group) authorizes the provider to provide observation and care in accordance with recommendations of the American Academy of Pediatrics for all basic health care services, when performed in their office. No further authorization is required. (See Primary Medical Care Policy.)**

- **Linkage to a Specialty Care Physician (or group) authorizes the provider to provide treatments medically necessary in the treatment of a participant's eligible medical condition, when performed in their office. No further authorization is required. (See Secondary Medical Care Policy.)**

- **Linkage to a Primary Care Dentist authorizes the provider to provide basic dental services as outlined in our Basic Dental Care policy, when performed in their office. No further authorization is required. (See Basic Dental Care Policy.)**

References: **Linkage Policy**
Primary Medical Care Policy
Secondary Medical Care Policy
Basic Dental Care Policy