

WV CSED Waiver FAQ for the Bureau for Children and Families 2/4/21

- 1. Can I apply for CSEDW services while I am on the IDD Waiver waitlist?**
 - a. Yes. However, you cannot be on both Waivers at the same time. Although youth with co-occurring diagnoses are eligible, they must be able to cognitively benefit from the CSED Waiver services.
- 2. Can the Medical Card be used as proof of WV Residency?**
 - a. Yes.
- 3. Does my child already have to be receiving WV Medicaid to apply for the CSEDW?**
 - a. The child does have to be eligible and receive West Virginia Medicaid.
- 4. My child is not in residential treatment or in out of state treatment. Can I still apply for this waiver on behalf of my child?**
 - a. Yes.
- 5. I just had a psychological report completed; can I just use that report for eligibility?**
 - a. If a psychological has been completed within the last year, that may be used to help make a decision on the child's eligibility.
- 6. Can I keep the same therapist who is currently my Safe at Home Therapist if I get this waiver?**
 - a. Yes, if the existing therapist is employed by a company that is enrolled to provide CSED services.
- 7. Can I receive Safe at Home Services while on this waiver?**
 - a. No. Once a youth is awarded a waiver slot, their Safe At Home services must stop.
- 8. Does my child need to be in foster care to apply for this waiver?**
 - a. No.
- 9. How long does the CSED Waiver last?**
 - a. Eligibility must be re-established annually. However, this Waiver is not for long term services. The length of the stay of is based upon the individual child's needs with an expected average of 6-9 months.
- 10. Does my child have to come back in state to apply for the CSEDW if he/she is already placed in an out of state residential facility?**

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- a. CSEDDW has an out-of-state application process. Contact the Program Manager of CSEDW at Heather.D.Cummings@wv.gov

11. If my child is already receiving CSEDW services and is then placed out of state, do lose their slot?

- a. The waiver slot can be put on hold for 180 days. If that slot is not accessed within that time frame, this could result in discharging the child from the waiver. However, it is encouraged to reapply when discussions of discharge are taking place.

12. Are personal options available for CSEDW? Is using PPL an option?

- a. Not currently.

13. Is there a specific list of diagnoses that are eligible for the CSED Waiver?

- a. No, there is not a set of specific SED diagnoses for this waiver. Each applicant will be reviewed by an approved provider through BMS to complete the assessment for the child applying for the CSEDW.

14. How long does it take to go through the referral process?

- a. An eligibility decision will be made by the Medical Eligibility Contracted Agent (MECA) within 60 days from the date the assessment is completed by the appropriate providers that BMS has approved to complete these assessments (LPC, LICSW, Psychologists, licensed psychologists, etc) Other variables include the time to get the referral packet/application completed and the number of days until an appointment with an IP can be scheduled. If there are appeals, it may also lengthen the time. Currently the MECA is making decisions in less than 7 days once a completed IPE is received.

15. How do I appeal an eligibility decision?

- a. If an applicant is determined not to be medically eligible, then the applicant or parent/legal representative will receive a written decision. A Request for Hearing form that includes free legal resources, and the results of the reassessment is included. This notice is also sent to the applicant and Aetna Better Health. The termination may be appealed through the Medicaid Fair Hearing process if the Request for Hearing form is submitted to the Board of Review within 90 calendar days of receipt of the Notice of Decision.

16. If an existing member is determined to no longer meet criteria for the program can they re-apply?

- a. Yes.

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17. If my child is on the Intellectually Developmentally Delayed Waiver (IDDW) and my child meets the eligibility criteria for the CSED Waiver, should I take my child off IDDW and switch to CSEDW?

- a. No. CSEDW is not a long-term waiver for children. The child must be reassessed annually. With the IDDW, the child has an annual assessment, and is considered a long-term waiver to provide services for the individual for their lifetime, if needed.

18. Where do you get an application for the CSED Waiver?

- a. The initial form is located on BMS (Bureau for Medical Services) and KEPRO's web site. You may also contact KEPRO at 1-844-304-7107 or wvcsew@kepro.com.

19. Does a psychiatrist/physician have to sign the CSED Waiver Person-Centered Service Plan?

- a. No, they do not have to sign the CSED Waiver Person-Centered Service Plan (PCSP). However, please refer to the LBHC licensing regulations if you are only doing one PCSP and it includes medication being prescribed by your agency. <http://ohflac.wvdhhr.org/laws>

20. Will Special Medical Cards from the Bureau for Children and Families pay for CSED services?

- a. No, the individual referred for this waiver must be on Medicaid. The Special Medical Card provided through the Bureau for Children and Families-Social Services does not pay for CSED services. Therefore, it would not pay for the CSEDW evaluation.

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