

TRUMBULL COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Policy

Section 8.19

SERVICE FUNDING

Purpose:

This policy was developed to support the Board's authority to plan and set priorities based on available resources for the provision of facilities, programs, and other services to meet the needs of children and adults with developmental disabilities who reside in Trumbull County.

Policy:

It is the policy of the Board to provide its Programs, Services and Supports in the most efficient and effective manner to as many eligible individuals as possible. To maximize local financial resources and use of federal Medicaid dollars, the Board shall adhere to the Medicaid tenants of:

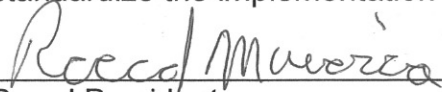
1. "Individual need and medical necessity" Medical necessity is defined in the same manner as OAC 5101:3-1-01 which states medically necessary services are defined services that are necessary for the diagnosis or treatment of a specific condition. The services provided should be the lowest cost alternative that effectively addresses and treats the diagnosed condition. And;
2. "Assurance of health and safety" Health and safety is defined as systematic efforts to maintain an individual's well-being and the development of procedures to identify hazards in order to minimize risk, potential damage, harm, or adverse health effects.

The Board shall actively seek the most cost effective level of support which meets these tenants.

An individual service plan (ISP) shall be developed to include only waiver services which are consistent with efficiency, economy and quality of care. When reasonable, waiver services will not be provided entirely at a one to one ratio. When combined with other non-waiver services, waiver services must ensure the health and welfare for the individual for whom the ISP is developed.

Support requested above the level needed to meet medical necessity and maintain health and safety will be considered "preferential" and will not be supported by Board resources. However, in "preferential" situations the Board may assist individuals, parents or guardians to develop voluntary and natural supports, shared funding opportunities, or other methods in attempts to reach the preferred support level.

The Board shall authorize the Superintendent to establish guidelines and procedures to standardize the implementation of this policy.


Board President


Superintendent

Adopted: 6/24/2013

References:

OAC 5101:3-1-01
OAC 5101:3-1-02
OAC 5101:3-40-01