



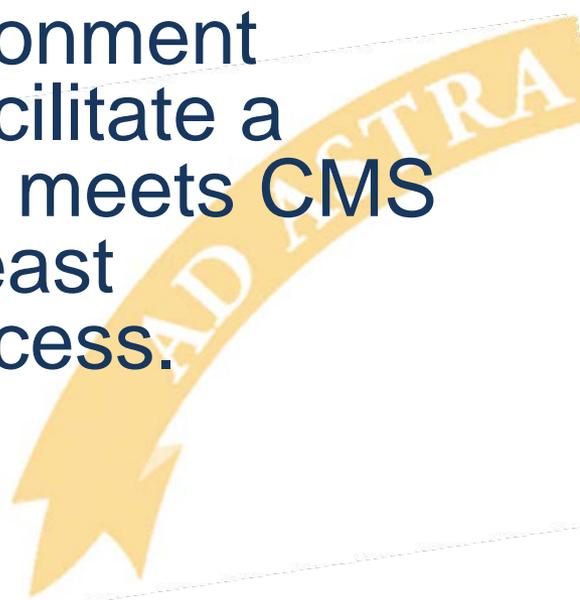
SED Waiver Service Changes

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Changes To The Waiver

- The State of Kansas received direction from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) obtain a more structurally conflict free waiver.
- The Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) and The Kansas Department for Health and Environment (KDHE) have been working to facilitate a conflict free waiver structure that meets CMS requirements and provides the least disruption to the SED waiver process.



Changes To The Waiver

- KDADS reviewed several proposed conflict of interest mitigation strategies.
- KDADS and KDHE worked with CMS to find a solution that:
 - Utilizes existing systems to mitigate conflict
 - Minimizes the impact to CMHC service and associated delivery

Changes to the Waiver

- It is important to remember:
 - This session is our first conversation about these changes not our last
 - This session is for basic information
 - Nothing has been finalized yet.



Changes to the Waiver

- Three changes will occur to the SED Waiver
 - Conflict Free Functional Eligibility
 - Conflict Free Plan of Care Development
 - Restructure of the Wrap Around Facilitator (WAF) role



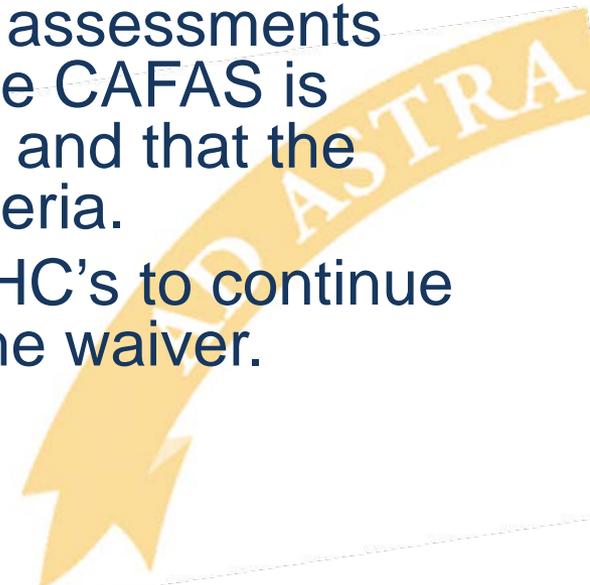
Conflict Free Changes

- CMS identified the current process of Community Mental Health Centers (CMHC) completing the Functional Assessment (CAFAS), creating the plan of care (POC), and delivering the services of the plan of care as a conflict of interest (COI).
- In response to CMS' concerns, KDADS proposes the following changes to the functional eligibility assessment and POC.



Conflict Free Functional Eligibility

- The State of Kansas proposes using a third party contractor to administer CAFAS assessments alongside the CMHC's.
- The CMHC and contractor will work together in scheduling assessments for the SED waiver.
- The role of the contractor will be to sit in on a statistically significant sample of CAFAS being conducted by the CMHC and to complete their own CAFAS assessment.
- The CMHC and contractor will score the assessments independently of each other to ensure the CAFAS is administered correctly, found to be valid, and that the client meets SED functional eligibility criteria.
- This proposed change will allow the CMHC's to continue to do the functional eligibility portion of the waiver.



Conflict Free Plan of Care Development

- The MCO care coordinators will work with the CMHCs to create and approve plans of care for SED waiver clients utilizing SED waiver services.
- This changes the current procedure from the WAF creating the plan of care and having the MCO approve it.

Restructure of Wrap Around Facilitator (WAF) Role

- KDADS recognizes the importance of the WAF services and the vital role they lend in the youths' treatment.
- With the change of the POC development moving to the MCO the WAF will no longer create the POC.
- The WAF will continue to form the wraparound team consisting of participant's family, extended family, and other community members involved with the participant's daily life to lend information as the MCO creates the POC.
- The WAF will continue responsibility for reassembling the team when the POC is reviewed and/or revision is needed, at least annually or as needed based on changes in circumstances.
- All POC changes will be made by the MCO care coordinator.

Impacts on Consumers

- The State worked very closely with CMS in order to minimize the impact to consumers.
- The State expects consumers to see little to no change in their services.



Impacts on Providers

- The MCO and WAF will experience a majority of the impact from these change.
 - The change in the WAF role will result in less WAF hours being available, due to POC development moving to the MCO.
 - MCOs will increase their interaction with the SED waiver participants and CMHCs.

Impacts on Consumers and Providers

- Changes will provide consumers a clear POC appeal process with the MCO.
- Providers will no longer be responsible for POC changes or hour reductions, helping consumers and providers maintain a positive working relationship when changes are made to the POC.

Next Steps

- KDADS/KDHE will compile the comments received today along with all other submitted comments.
 - KDADS/KDHE will address public comments and make changes to the SED Waiver as needed.



Next Steps

- The SED Waiver will be submitted to CMS for approval. KDADS/KDHE will work with all Kansas partners to ensure a smooth and functional transition of the SED Waiver.
- KDADS looks forward to working with our MCO and CMHC partners in facilitating the conflict of interest changes.
- KDADS will collaborate with community partners to develop implementation processes.

Feedback about changes

- You can email comments and questions to HCBS-KS@kdads.ks.gov
- You can complete the evaluation forms on your table
- You can complete the evaluation form online at sedfeedback.com



Questions?

- Consider:
 - What did I hear?
 - What is my reaction?
- Write down:
 - What questions of understanding do you have?



What concerns do you have about
KDADS' response to the CMS
requirements?



As a result of KDADS' response to the CMS requirements, what positive changes would you like to see?



What should the State keep in mind
as it moves forward?



Additional Feedback

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- Online: sedfeedback.com
- Paper: evaluation form on your table





Thank you!