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This section provides monthly critical reminders in relation to CYS documentation standards.

Reminders regarding the use of the "Treatment Plan for Non-Assessment Services Provided During the Assessment Period" (AKA: Mini CSP):

- The "Mini CSP" is used during the 30/60 Day "assessment period" when the clinician has determined that there is sufficient information to make a provisional diagnosis and that the client, based on that provisional diagnosis and symptoms, meets the criteria for **Medical Necessity**. Check with your Service Chief to determine whether a 30 day or 60 day assessment period is appropriate for your specific program.

- The "Mini CSP" is used when the assessing clinician is not done with the assessment process but the client requires some type of treatment and/or case management services prior to the completion of the 30/60 Day assessment paperwork.

- The "Mini CSP" must have a Medi-Cal included diagnosis listed as the primary diagnosis and must document the resulting significant functional impairment/s on the form.

- The "Mini CSP" authorizes all services indicated other than assessment services to be provided during the regular 30/60 Day assessment period, so long as they address the mental health issues arising from the symptoms associated with the Medi-Cal included diagnosis listed. The services authorized may include one or more of the following: Medication services, Case Management, Individual/Collateral Mental Health Services, or Group Mental Health Services.

- The "Mini CSP" must indicate the Frequency, Amount, and Duration of all services to be provided. As an example, Medication services are needed prior to completion of the 30/60 assessment period in order to keep a client stable on their existing medication regimen. The completed form must indicate how often the client will be seen for medication purposes (e.g., Frequency = 1-2x/month), the time that will be spent providing the service (e.g., Amount = 30-60 minutes), and the expected duration for the services (e.g., 30 or 60 days - depending on the program).

Requirements for establishing Medical Necessity under Medi-Cal EPSDT:

- Must have a DSM-IV TR Medi-Cal Included Diagnosis as the primary diagnosis.

- Must document that as a direct result of this included diagnosis, there is significant impairment in an important area of life functioning (e.g., social relations, failing school, etc.)

- Must document that your proposed interventions will either significantly diminish the existing impairment, prevent significant deterioration in an important area of life functioning, or allow the child to progress developmentally as appropriate and expected.