September 18, 2025

Important notice from the Department of Developmental Services about:

Medi-Cal Policy for Coverage of Behavioral Health Treatment Services Provided to Medi-Cal Fee-For-Service Members Subject of Letter

G-2025-Behavioral Health-001

What to Know

Effective July 1, 2025, individuals under the age of 21 with Fee-For-Service (FFS) Medi-Cal may access Behavioral Health Treatment services through their primary care physician.

What's Changing

Prior to July 1, 2025, the only way that individuals with FFS Medi-Cal could access behavioral services was through the regional centers. This meant that individuals who needed behavioral supports but did not meet regional center eligibility were unable to access these services through their health plans. The Department of Health Care Services has now established a pathway for individuals with FFS Medi-Cal to access these services through their health plans.

