

**To:** All Providers  
**From:** Cham Trowell, Utilization Management Director  
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**Subject:** State Funded benefit

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Trillium Health Resources manages a state funded services benefit plan. Per NC statutes, these benefits are not an entitlement. People who are not eligible for Medicaid or who do not have other third party insurance may receive state behavioral health and intellectual and other developmental disability services if they meet medical necessity criteria and if funding is available for the benefit that they are requesting. State services are prioritized for those people with the highest needs for services and for whom no other insurance coverage exists to pay for medically necessary services. State funding is not always available for people who have coverage for behavioral healthcare, but whose insurance does not cover a particular service. State services cannot be used when other Medicaid services can meet the needs. Medicaid eligible individuals with intellectual and other developmental disabilities may receive limited State services not included in the Medicaid State Plan if they are not on the Innovations Waiver, subject to availability of funds. Medicaid eligible individuals with behavioral health issues also may receive certain State services not included in the Medicaid State Plan, subject to availability of funds.

All individuals who are eligible for a state funded target population and receiving any service funded with state dollars should complete an application for Medicaid funding and pursue those entitlements. Trillium Health Resources will frequently request evidence of application for Medicaid coverage for target populations and linkage with a primary care doctor in clinical documents submitted with treatment authorization requests or at the time of on-site monitoring.

***Before next authorization for state funded services, all members must apply for Medicaid benefits and upload proof with TAR request.***