



Clinical Consolidation Communication Bulletin 16

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Subject: FAQ for transition from B3 to 1915i services

FAQ FOR TRANSITION FROM B3 TO 1915I SERVICES

This communication serves as a reminder of the transition of benefits from B3 services to 1915i services under NC Demonstration 1115. Trillium wants to ensure all stakeholders know where to ask questions or seek answers on the transition. Trillium is posting an internal FAQ.

Please use this smart sheet to send questions to Trillium Health Resources. This will help us build a list of FAQs to share.

 [Ask Question to Trillium](#)

Division of Health Benefits also publishes a [Fact Sheet with FAQ on this transition](#).

THE EXCERPT BELOW IS FROM THE NC MEDICAID FACT SHEET.

“Home and community-based services (HCBS) provide opportunities for community integration, enabling Medicaid enrollees to obtain services in their community. North Carolina’s local management entities/managed care organizations (LME/MCOs) provide 1915(b) (3) services, which offer a critical set of HCBS to Medicaid enrollees with significant behavioral health needs and intellectual/developmental disabilities (I/DD). Because Behavioral Health I/DD Tailored Plans will be operating under North Carolina’s 1115 demonstration, they will no longer be able to provide services under the 1915(b) (3) authority. To ensure that individuals maintain access to these critical services when Tailored Plans launch, North Carolina is transitioning 1915(b) (3) services to 1915(i) service.

Federal rules require that to obtain 1915(i) benefits, an individual must obtain an independent assessment to determine eligibility for 1915(i) services and to be used to develop a service plan, called a Care Plan for individuals with behavioral health needs or an Individual Support Plan (ISP) for individuals with an I/DD or traumatic brain injury (TBI) in North Carolina. This FAQ provides answers to common questions about North Carolina's transition from 1915(b) (3) to 1915(i) services."

All questions related to this Non-Covered Medicaid Benefit under EPSDT can be sent to UM@TrilliumNC.org. Questions will be responded to as quickly as possible. We are working to address other questions and concerns as quickly as possible. Thank you for your patience while we transition.