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NC SPECIALIZED FOSTER CARE (FC) PLAN POLICY PAPER AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

NC DHHS is accepting comments on the FC Plan through Feb. 25, 2021. <u>Submit your comments and questions</u> by this date.

On July 1, 2022, the Department of Health and Human Services will launch the Specialized Foster Care Plan to meet the unique needs of North Carolina children and youth currently and formerly involved in the child welfare system and to address receiving seamless, integrated, and coordinated health care.

The Foster Care Plan is a statewide specialty Medicaid managed care plan that will ensure access to a comprehensive physical and behavioral health services while maintaining treatment plans when placements change. The Foster Care Plan will include care management services to improve coordination among service providers, families, involved entities (such as the Department of Social Services, Division of Juvenile Justice, schools) and other stakeholders involved in serving Foster Care Plan members.

A policy paper entitled "North Carolina's Specialized Foster Care Plan" describes key design features related to eligibility and enrollment, benefits, care management, quality and other areas.

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