

# COVERAGE FOR CHILDREN'S BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE COORDINATION



#### WHAT IS WRAPAROUND?

Enhanced care coordination, or "wraparound", is an integral part of the community-based services of the Children's System of Care for behavioral and mental health. Wraparound is New Hampshire's version of a proven youth- and family-centered planning and care coordination process.<sup>1</sup>

These programs are designed for families who have tried less intensive treatments and/or have complex situations requiring them to be involved in more than one "system" (e.g. special education, mental health, child protection, and juvenile justice).

Wraparound helps families identify their strengths and needs. It then brings together a team of professionals (including other family members and service providers) to develop and support the family's plan so the child can remain at home.

Enhanced care coordination programs have empowered hundreds of families facing behavioral health challenges as they navigate complex systems. However, a private insurance coverage gap has created barriers for Granite State families and cost taxpayer dollars unnecessarily.

## **ABOUT THE BILL**

In New Hampshire, wraparound is currently covered by Medicaid but not by private health insurers.

To ensure access to wraparound, stopgap measures have been put in place to allow some acutely ill children to qualify for Medicaid through the Home Care for Children with Severe Disabilities (HC-CSD) program and others to have their wraparound care covered with taxpayer general fund dollars.

2025 legislation would keep taxpayer dollars from being used to subsidize private health insurance corporations by requiring them to contribute as part of a public-private partnership model to **ensure all of our children and youth are able to access the care they need, regardless of their insurance type**.

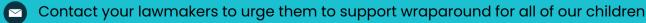


## NH'S ENHANCED CARE COORDINATION PROGRAMS

- FAST (Families and Systems Together)
   Forward wraparound for ages 5-21
- Early childhood wraparound for 0 to 5
- Transitional Enhanced Care Coordination (TrECC) before and/or after residential treatment



## TAKE ACTION TO SUPPORT COVERAGE FOR WRAPAROUND



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