

OPWDD CARE AT HOME (CAH) WAIVER PROGRAMS

Program Information:

1) State Plan Medicaid (MA) Services:

- Child receives a MA card & is eligible for MA services including MD offices, hospitals, pharmacies, equipment, etc. via a NYS MA provider
- MA will also cover Nursing or Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP) services if authorized by the appropriate deeming body

2) Monthly CAH Case Management (CM) Services:

- Monthly face-to-face CM visits
- CM agencies certified by State DOH; 6 agencies in the FL area

3) Respite Services:

- If appropriate, in-home respite services are covered under CAH

4) Out of Home Respite Services:

- Up to 30 days overnight respite/year; above 30 days requires approval
- Includes therapeutic recreation services that are billed as respite if they are outside the home setting

5) Environmental Modifications/Assistive Technologies:

- If approved via the DDRO process, various items can be approved including van lifts, ceiling tracks, bedroom & bathroom modifications, home accessibility, widening of doorways, & generators

6) Community Health Nurse (CHN) Visits:

- CHN home visits 2x/year minimum for 6 month reviews
- Can be more if needed/deemed necessary

7) CAH Coordinator Oversight & Annual (Minimum) Review:

- Annual (minimum) visit & assessment by CAH Coordinator to establish CAH eligibility; completed with caretakers, Case Manager, & CHN (PRN)
- CAH Coordinator provides oversight of all CAH program services

