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Policy or Procedure Title: 24/7 Coverage Requirement for Full Service Partnership Programs

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Purpose:

Defines the 24/7 coverage requirement for Full Service Partnership (FSP) programs and describes the responsibilities of FSP providers in ensuring that 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, FSP providers are available to respond to members/families to provide after-hours intervention.

FSP Programs use a member- and family-centered approach to assist people diagnosed with severe mental illness (SMI) or severe emotional disturbance (SED) in reaching and sustaining their mental health wellness goals. The 24/7 coverage policy assures that integrated, wraparound services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for FSP members, and when appropriate, the member's family.

Scope:

This policy applies to all providers of Full Service Partnership services offered through the Behavioral Health Services.

Policy:

The 24/7 coverage policy requires the following:

• A Personal Service Coordinator/Case Manager (PSC/CM) or other qualified person known to the

- member/family will be available to respond to the member/family 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to provide after-hours intervention.
- In the event of an emergency when a PSC/CM or other qualified individual known to the member/family is not available, the FSP program shall ensure that another qualified individual is available to respond to the member/family 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to provide after-hours intervention.

Further, it is recommended that all FSP programs document internal guidelines or policies for ensuring that an FSP provider is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to respond to the member/family to provide after-hour intervention.

Definitions:

- California Code of Regulations (CCR): Codified, general and permanent rules and regulations of state agencies publicized in the California Regulatory Notice Register.
- Full Service Partnership (FSP) Program: The collaborative relationship between the County and the member, and when appropriate the member's family, through which the County plans for and provides the full spectrum of community services so that the member can achieve identified goals. Here, "County" includes contracted agencies delivering Full Service Partnership services.
- Full Spectrum of Community Services: The mental health and non-mental health services and supports necessary to address the needs of the member, and when appropriate the member's family, in order to advance the member's goals and achieve outcomes that support the member's recovery, wellness, and resilience.
- Personal Services Coordinator/Case Manager (PSC/CM): Professionals who assist the member, and when appropriate, the member's family, to access needed medical, educational, social, vocational rehabilitative and/or other community services. "Personal Services Coordinator" is also called "Partnership Services Coordinator" in the Data Collection and Reporting System (DCR).

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