DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES IN THE NEW CHILDREN'S WAIVERS[1]

ADAPTIVE AIDS: Adaptive aids are devices, controls or appliances which enable persons to increase their abilities to perform activities of daily living, participate in typical home and community activities or control the environment in which he or she lives or frequents on a regular basis. Adaptive aids facilitate self-reliance, independence and community participation. Adaptive aids may decrease the need for paid care and may also reduce the risk of institutionalization.

CARE MANAGEMENT/ SUPPORT AND SERVICE COORDINATION: Care management/support and service coordination is the provision of service to locate, manage, coordinate and monitor all waiver program services, additional services, (regardless of funding source) and informal community supports provided to eligible applicants/participants and to assure that services are provided in accordance with program requirements. This service is intended to insure the waiver program participant's health and safety by enabling the participant to receive a full range of appropriate services and supports consistent with his/her assessed needs in a planned, coordinated, efficient and cost effective manner.

CHILDREN'S FOSTER CARE: DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, PHYSICAL DISABILITIES: A children's foster home is a family oriented place operated by a person required to be licensed under s. 48.62, of the Wisconsin Statutes, HFS 56 of the Administrative Code and HFS 38 of the Administrative Code that provide care and maintenance for no more than four foster children, or more if all the children are siblings. Services under children's foster care are for children who need support in one or more aspects of their lives including, but not limited to, health care; personal care; supervision; behavior and social supports, daily living skills training and transportation.

CHILDREN'S FOSTER CARE/TREATMENT FOSTER CARE: MENTAL HEALTH: A Children's Foster Home is a family oriented residence operated by a person licensed under §48.62, of the Wisconsin Statutes, and HFS 56 of the Administrative Code as a Foster Home, or residences operated by a provider licensed under HFS 38 of the Administrative Code as a Treatment Foster Home. Children's Foster Homes and Treatment Foster Homes provide care and maintenance for no more than four foster children, with exceptions for more children if the children in foster care are siblings. Services provided by these homes are for children who need support in one or more aspects of their lives including health care; personal care; supervision; behavior and social supports, daily living skills training, and transportation.

COMMUNICATION AIDS: Communication aids are devices, technologies or services necessary to assist people with hearing, speech, or vision impairments to effectively

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communicate with service providers, family, friends, and the general public. The cost of installation, repair, maintenance and support of any covered communication aid are also covered by this service.

CONSUMER AND FAMILY DIRECTED SUPPORTS: Consumer and Family Directed Supports are designed to assist children and their families to build, strengthen, or maintain informal networks of community supports. Consumer and Family Directed Supports include the following specific activities at the request and direction of the child or his/her family. The types of services and supports provided through consumer and family directed supports are the same as other waiver allowable services and may include: adaptive aides, communication aides, consumer education and training, counseling and therapeutic resources, daily living skills training, day services, foster care, home modifications, personal emergency response, respite care, specialized medical and therapeutic supplies, specialized transportation, supported employment, and supportive home care. The provider of each service and support must meet the provider qualifications for the specific service as noted in this waiver manual

CONSUMER EDUCATION AND TRAINING: The provision of services to help a person with a disability develop self-advocacy skills, exercise civil rights, and acquire skills needed to exercise control and responsibility over other support services. Expenses for this service may include enrollment fees, materials, transportation, hotel and meal expenses related to participation in conferences, courses and other events related to the objective of consumer education and training. Payments may be directed to the consumer by the local agency to allow the consumer to receive the needed training or education.

COUNSELING AND THERAPEUTIC RESOURCES: The provision of professional treatment oriented services to people with personal, social, behavioral, mental, alcohol or drug abuse, cognitive, developmental, or medical needs. The intent of the treatment is to maintain or improve health, welfare, or effective functioning in the community. This service may consist of, but is not limited to counseling, psychotherapy, music therapy, recreational therapy, or nutritional counseling. Any service provided may not also be covered under the Medicaid State Plan. The service also includes the provision of therapeutic items or devices, such as nutritional supplements or skin lubricants that are recommended or prescribed be a professional and are not covered under the state Medicaid plan.

DAILY LIVING SKILLS TRAINING: Daily living skills training services provide education and skill development or training to improve the participant's ability to independently perform routine daily activities and effectively utilize community resources. Services are instructional, focused on skill development and are not intended to provide substitute task performance. Daily living skills training may include skill development in: • Personal hygiene, •Food preparation, • Home upkeep/maintenance, • Money management, • Accessing and using community resources, • Community mobility, • Parenting.

DAY SERVICES – CLTS-DD, MH, PD: Day Services for children provide children with regularly scheduled activities for part of the day. Services include training, coordination and intervention directed at skill development and maintenance, physical

health promotion and maintenance, language development, cognitive development, socialization, social and community integration and domestic and economic management. This includes services not otherwise available through public education programs that provide after school supervision, daytime services when school is not in session, and services to pre-school age children. Services are typically provided up to five days per week in a non-residential setting and may occur in a single physical environment or in multiple environments, including natural settings in the community.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES: Financial management services are services that assist waiver participants and their families to manage service dollars. This service involves a person or agency paying service providers after the participant, guardian or family authorizes payment to be made for services included in the participant's approved individualized service plan. Financial Management Services providers, sometimes referred to as fiscal intermediaries, are organizations or individuals that write checks to pay bills for personnel costs, tax withholding, worker's compensation, health insurance and other taxes and benefits appropriate for the specific provider consistent with the individual's and families ISP.

HOME MODIFICATIONS: Home modifications are additions or alterations to a person's primary residence that addresses needs associated with accessibility, health, safety or life in the community. Home modifications may include materials and services that assist in the assessment of need for a modification, as well as the actual construction of the modification.

INTENSIVE IN-HOME TREATMENT FOR CHILDREN WITH AUTISM, ASPERGER'S AND PERVASIVE DEVELOPMENTAL DISORDERS: The provision of treatment oriented behavioral services provided by qualified professionals to children diagnosed with Autism, Asperger's and Pervasive Developmental Disorders and their families. These services may consist of a variety of therapeutic approaches that can be implemented with the intent to enhance behavior, communication and social skills. The intent of the treatment is to develop and improve health, welfare and effective functioning in the home and community. Any service provided may not also be covered under the Medicaid State Plan.

PERSONAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEMS (PERS): A personal emergency response system provides immediate assistance in the event of a physical, emotional or environmental emergency through a community-based electronic communications device. This service can provide a direct link to health professionals to secure immediate assistance by the activation of an electronic communications unit in the consumer's home.

PROTECTIVE PAYMENT SERVICES: The provision of protective payment services provided by an authorized person or agency named responsible for making or carrying out financial decisions for the individual. Services include consulting with the individual or guardian, as necessary on the use of the person's funds, making payments to organizations and individuals whom payment is due, bookkeeping and making regular reports to the person, and when relevant, their guardian. Protective payment services may be provided in situations where the person has an individual or an agency that

function as a representative payee, protective payee, conservator, or other similarly defined role herein referred to as "payee". Protective payment services includes payment of the person who functions as the payee for services rendered and associated costs where payment is required and the management functions done by the waiver agency or its agent to recruit, train and monitor protective payees.

RESPITE CARE: Respite care is the provision of services to waiver participants on a short-term basis in a number of different settings. Respite care services are those services provided to a waiver eligible participant on a short-term basis, to relieve the participant's primary caregiver(s) from care demands. Respite care services may be provided in a residential setting, institutional setting, the home of the participant, or in another community setting not described above. All respite occurring in an institution requires the Department to issue prior approval.

SPECIALIZED MEDICAL AND THERAPEUTIC SUPPLIES: Specialized medical and therapeutic supplies are those items necessary to maintain the participant's health, manage a medical or physical condition, improve functioning or enhance independence. Items or devices provided may be in excess of the quantity of medical equipment or supplies covered under the Medicaid state plan when coverage of the additional items or devices have been denied. Items or devices provided must be of direct medical or remedial benefit to the participant.

SPECIALIZED TRANSPORTATION: Specialized transportation is the provision of services to permit waiver participants access to destinations in the community to obtain services, use needed community resources, and participate in community life. Specialized transportation services may consist of material benefits such as tickets or other fare medium, or a payment covering all costs associated with the conveyance of program participants and their attendants. Specialized transportation services include those services which assist in improving the person's general mobility in the community, increase independence and participation and prevent institutionalization. Payments for these services may be based on the provider's cost of operating the vehicle or driver costs and may be charged on a per trip or mile basis.

SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT SERVICES: Supported Employment is the provision of assistance to facilitate the employment of a participant in an integrated work setting and includes job development aimed at developing a position in a community job or a carved out portion of an already existing position. Participants using this service may need ongoing support to maintain employment. Specific services include vocational/ job-related assessment, job development, referral, on-the-job support and coaching, education or training and transportation. Other support services including services not specifically related to job skill training may also be provided based on the needs of the specific participant served.

SUPPORTIVE HOME CARE: Supportive Home Care (SHC) is the provision of a range of services for participants who require assistance to meet their daily living needs, ensure adequate functioning in their home and permit safe access to the community.