

CHAPTER 5

## Using MA to Pay for Behavioral Health Services



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### Behavioral Health

- Administered through Behavioral Health Managed Care Organizations
  - CBH (Phila only); CBHNP; CCBH; Magellan or Value
- For adults & kids, covers:
  - Inpatient psychiatric hospitalization
  - Partial hospitalization
  - Outpatient counseling
  - Psychiatric med reviews
  - casemanagement

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### Behavioral Health (cont.)

- For under 21, also covers:
  - BHRS (“wraparound”)
    - TSS, Mobile Therapy & BSC
  - RTF (Residential Treatment Facility)
  - CRR Host Home (therapy + host home)
  - STAP (therapeutic summer camps)
    - Transportation through MATP
  - Family based (including FSS- respite)
  - Local specialty programs as approved by Behavioral Health Managed Care Organization

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### Behavioral Health (cont.)

- Limited Family Support Services & respite through County Base Service Units
- Local programs through Reinvestment \$
  - Determined by the counties with state approval
  - May include
    - Afterschool programs
    - Specialized programs for autism

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### Behavioral Health (cont.)

- Accessing services- under 21
  - Psych eval or addendum
  - Treatment plan
  - Interagency Service Planning Team meeting
  - Packet submitted by provider to BHMCO
  - Written authorization/denial by BHMCO
  - New psych eval & ISPT meeting required every 4 months for BHRS except for kids with autism/pdd diagnosis for whom psychologist can request 12 months.

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