

CCS Medical Therapy Program (MTP)

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- Program within CCS that provides medically necessary physical therapy (PT), occupational therapy (OT), and medical therapy conference (MTC) services to eligible clients
- Services are provided in school-based outpatient rehabilitation centers called Medical Therapy Units (MTUs)
 - Collaborative relationship with schools
 - Space and equipment provided by education
- Eligible conditions are a subset of CCS eligible conditions

MTP Medical Eligibility

- Eligible conditions are physically disabling, generally due to neurological or musculoskeletal disorders, such as:
 - Cerebral palsy
 - Spina bifida
 - Muscular dystrophy
 - Rheumatoid arthritis
 - Spinal cord injuries
 - Arthrogryposis
 - Osteogenesis imperfecta
 - Brachial plexus palsy
 - Amputations
 - Head injuries
- Children under 3 years of age may be eligible under a separate criteria based upon the presence of two or more neurological findings
 - Exaggerations /persistence of primitive reflexes beyond the normal age
 - Increased Deep Tendon Reflexes (DTRs) that are 3+ or greater;
 - Abnormal posturing;
 - Hypotonicity, with normal or increased DTRs, in infants below one year of age; or
 - Asymmetry of motor findings of trunk or extremities.

MTP Caseload Numbers

- MTP caseload was 23,422 in May 2014
 - County-reported caseload numbers on FY 2014-15 CCS Budget Allocation submissions
 - Not all counties use the same data system for MTP
- MTP represents 13.3% of the total CCS caseload
 - CCS caseload was 175,518 in May 2014
- MTP-only caseload is 3,834
 - Represents 16.4% of the total MTP caseload
(Caseload percentages can vary greatly by county)

MTP Funding

- MTP Funding is split 50/50 between the State and County
- FY 2014-15 State MTP Appropriation was \$62,635,555 - Counties match this amount
- Counties with MTUs certified by Medi-Cal as an Outpatient Rehabilitation Center (OPRC) may bill for PT and OT services
 - 75% of billing revenue is returned to the State – 25% is retained by Counties

MTP Residential/Financial Eligibility

- Like the CCS Program, clients must be a resident of the county
 - MTP services may be provided in another county via Courtesy Case Management
- Financial Eligibility standards do not apply for clients receiving therapy services only (MTP-only)
 - Clients would not receive equipment, spasticity management, specialty care authorizations or other treatment services via CCS
 - Most MTP clients (approx. 83%) meet the financial eligibility standards

MTP Services

- Medically necessary physical therapy and occupational therapy
- Medical therapy conference (MTC) with physician oversight of therapy programs
 - Team Conference: Client, family, physician, treating therapist(s), and other health specialists who assist in managing a child's therapy program and special needs
- Comprehensive evaluation and recommendations for durable medical equipment and orthotics/braces
 - wheelchairs, walkers, bath equipment, splints, bracing, etc.
- Home visits to assess specific equipment needs
- School consultation and attendance at individual education plan (IEP) meetings

MTP and CCS Administrative Program

- MTP is a component of the CCS Program
- CCS Administrators and Medical Consultants have oversight responsibilities
- MTP Chief/Supervising Therapist is funded partially by the CCS Admin budget
- Program and Medical Eligibility determinations are completed via the CCS Administrative Program
- Financially eligible clients receive service and/or equipment authorizations and medical care coordination services via the CCS Administrative Program

Questions?