PARTNERSHIP IN HEALTH CARE
MEDICAL AND DENTAL HEALTH CARE FOR
CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE

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WHAT OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH BREVARD HEALTH ALLIANCE IS:

1. Collaboration Agreement between Brevard Health Alliance Inc. (BHA), Brevard Family Partnership (BFP) and the Department of Children and Families (DCF), Circuit 18, for the Development of a Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMA) for Children in Out-of-Home Care in Brevard

2. BHA, a Federally Qualified Health Center, will provide services including an initial medical screening to occur within 72 hours of removal from the home, followed by a comprehensive health care assessment within 30 days (if child remains out of the home), an ongoing medical plan for treatment and provide a primary care medical home.
HOW OUR PARTNERSHIP CAME ABOUT

• There was no continuity of health care for a child.

• Health Department was closed on Fridays, and was becoming increasingly difficult for out of home providers to ensure children seen within 72 hours of removal

• Lack of Medicaid Dental providers

BFP learned about BHA through a community presentation. They currently have 6 offices county wide, which offers all of our caregivers an office close to their homes. BHA is also in the process of building a large one stop center in Melbourne to offer a full array of medical services. BHA retains 2 dentists on staff. They also accept all forms of Medicaid, including Medipass, plus all Medicaid HMOs offered in Brevard.
WHAT BHA PROVIDES:

• Provide a primary care medical home for children in Out-of-Home Care in Brevard County.

• Provide one point of contact for access to all BHA Clinics for registration, and an appointment for initial 72 hour medical screen.

• Provide one point of contact for DCF Case Worker/Investigator to either fax or e-mail copy of court order.

• Provide access for an initial medical screen to occur within 72 hours of removal from home.

• Ensure a comprehensive health care assessment is completed within 30 days of placement.
WHAT BHA PROVIDES:

• Provide medical case management services to children in Out-of-Home Care who utilize BHA services, including the creation of a plan for Medical Services.

• Provide copies of initial 72 hour medical screen exam and comprehensive health care assessment exam (to be completed within 30 days) to BFP.

• Work with families to provide continued access to a primary care medical home when a child is reunified.
BFP OBLIGATIONS:

• Provide foster parent/family placement with instructions on how to make appointment at one of the Brevard Health Alliance Clinics for 72 hour medical screen, along with release of information form signed by caseworker/investigator and a signed copy of the consent to treat/HIPPA form.

• Fax or e-mail court order to Brevard Health Alliance Rockledge Pediatric Clinic.

• Provide all available medical information to BHA PCP, including the CBHA when received.

• Provide a single point of entry for faxing or emailing of the 72 hour initial medical screen and comprehensive health assessment (to be completed within 30 days of placement).
BFP OBLIGATIONS:

- Provide parents with information on Brevard Health Alliance as a primary care medical home.
- Notify Brevard Health Alliance when child is no longer in Out-of-Home Care in Brevard.
DCF CPI WILL:

- Provide caregiver with instructions on how to make an appointment at one of the Brevard Health Alliance Clinics for a 72 hour medical screen, along with release of information form signed by case worker/investigator and a signed copy of the consent to treat/HIPPA form.
- Confirm with Caregiver initial 72 hour medical screen exam has been scheduled, and if not, assist with scheduling and transportation.
- Provide Brevard Family Partnership with a copy of the court order placing the child into shelter.
- Provide all available medical information to BHA PCP.
- Provide a single point of entry for faxing or emailing of the 72 hour initial medical screen.
CHALLENGES

1. $$$ Getting the first screening paid for when the child is assigned to a different provider. Services started January of 2012 and by May 2012 we had 107 visits that weren’t paid by Medicaid.

BFP worked closely with BHA and AHCA to ensure payments were made. AHCA agreed to allow the first visits to be billed retroactively under EPSDT. With this agreement, BHA can bill under EPSDT to ensure payments for first visits.
2. Ensuring a child is switched to BHA as their primary physician. Before the child can receive services in the future, BHA will have to be their primary physician no matter what type of coverage they have.

In our system of care, Rev Max is responsible for ensuring every child that comes into out-of-home care is on Medicaid. This makes it easy to ensure that each child coming into care, unless on special Medicaid or a CMS child, is assigned to BHA as their primary physician.
REV MAX WILL:

• Rev Max applies for all Medicaid for all children in care; this includes foster/licensed care, relative or non-relative placements.
• Once Medicaid is approved, Brevard Health Alliance is assigned as the provider.
• Rev Max makes all provider changes upon request from the caseworker or caregiver.
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• Rev Max will Dentaquest as the dental provider for children initially placed in out of home care (as of July 1st BHA will not take MCNA Dental).

• In addition, Rev Max will make any other necessary dental provider changes for all children placed in out of home care upon request from the caseworker or caregiver.