

MYPAC

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Transforming The Way Mental Health Services Are Provided For Mississippi Youth And Their Families



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Mississippi Youth Programs Around the Clock An alternative to psychiatric residential treatment facilities

What is MYPAC?

Mississippi Youth Programs Around the Clock (MYPAC) is a home and community-based Medicaid waiver program. MYPAC provides an array of services for Mississippi youth with Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED). It is a program that provides alternate services to traditional Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities (PRTF).

What are the advantages of MYPAC over traditional psychiatric residential treatment facilities?

Many Mississippi families are reluctant to seek help for their youth because they do not want them to spend weeks or even months in a psychiatric residential treatment facility. With MYPAC they can receive the services they need without having to leave their home, family or school. Also, with MYPAC, parents and/or guardians are much more involved with the planning and implementation of the services provided for their child.

What services will MYPAC provide?

The services provided by MYPAC will include Intensive Case Management, Wraparound Services and Respite Services. An Individualized Service Plan will be developed by each participant, parent/guardian and the MYPAC provider which will be used to identify and address participant's and their families' individual needs. Providers will be expected to be available to participants and their families around the clock.

Who is eligible?

Youth may be eligible for the MYPAC program if:

- *They meet the clinical criteria for PRTF admission.
- *They are under age 21.
- *They meet the financial criteria for Medicaid.

Family Support Specialists will be an integral part of MYPAC.

Soon after a youth has been determined to be eligible, the youth and family will be contacted by a Family Support Specialist (FSS). An FSS is someone who will act as their personal advisor to help answer any questions they might have about MYPAC. The FSS will remain in contact with them for the entire time they are enrolled in MYPAC. The FSS is not a healthcare professional or a licensed counselor but is someone who has experience as a parent or guardian of a child with Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED).

MYPAC participants have Freedom of Choice:

Participants have the right to choose between the MYPAC program and the traditional services of a psychiatric residential treatment facility. They will also be able to choose the MYPAC provider that is best for their needs.

I'm interested in MYPAC. What do I do now?

If you are interested in finding out more about MYPAC services, contact the Division of Medicaid Bureau of Mental Health Programs, MYPAC Division, at **601-359-9536**.

MYPAC staff can also be contacted at the toll-free number provided below: