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# ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY STATEMENT North Carolina Marketplace

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#### Policy Type ADMINISTRATIVE

Administrative Policy Statement prepared by CareSource and its affiliates are derived from literature based on and supported by clinical guidelines, nationally recognized utilization and technology assessment guidelines, other medical management industry standards, and published MCO clinical policy guidelines. Medically necessary services include, but are not limited to, those health care services or supplies that are proper and necessary for the diagnosis or treatment of disease, illness, or injury and without which the patient can be expected to suffer prolonged, increased or new morbidity, impairment of function, dysfunction of a body organ or part, or significant pain and discomfort. These services meet the standards of good medical practice in the local area, are the lowest cost alternative, and are not provided mainly for the convenience of the member or provider. Medically necessary services also include those services defined in any Evidence of Coverage documents, Medical Policy Statements, Provider Manuals, Member Handbooks, and/or other policies and procedures.

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According to the rules of Mental Health Parity Addiction Equity Act (MHPAEA), coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of a behavioral health disorder will not be subject to any limitations that are less favorable than the limitations that apply to medical conditions as covered under this policy.

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# A. Subject Court Mandated Health Services

# B. Background

Court mandated health services are treatments ordered as a result of criminal, civil or custodial judicial proceedings. Services may include withdrawal management, medication assisted treatment, community based services, behavioral health inpatient or outpatient treatment, medical inpatient or outpatient treatment and/or other treatment related to one's overall health.

- C. Definitions
  - Court Mandated Health Services Court order issued upon the decision of a judge or the result of a judicial proceeding for health-related services.
- D. Policy
  - I. Court mandated health services are subject to all existing CareSource policies and procedures, including medical necessity determination and prior authorization as necessary.
  - II. If court ordered health services are determined as not meeting medical necessity criteria, the member will be referred to care management to ensure access to the proper treatment and services and assist in coordination of necessary care.
- E. Conditions of Coverage NA
- F. Related Policies/Rules Medical Necessity Determinations

## G. Review/Revision History

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Date Issued	10/12/2022	
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#### H. References

1. *North Carolina Evidence of Coverage*. CareSource; 2023. Accessed September 9, 2023. www.caresource.com