



# Implementing Florida's Federal Medicaid Waiver Program

## **PARTNERS IN CARE: TOGETHER FOR KIDS**

*A Children's Hospice International Program for All-Inclusive Care for Children and Their Families TM (CHI PACC®).*

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# OBJECTIVES

- **An awareness and understanding of the services available and offered under the Florida Partners in Care – Together For Kids program will be achieved.**
- **Benefits of the program, to include those evident by the patient, family and hospice will be provided and explained.**

# REFERRALS

## **Received from:**

- **The regional Children's Medical Services Network office**
- **Wolfson Children's Hospital Liaison RN for hospitalized patients**
- **Community physicians**

# ASSESSMENT

- **Patient Care Administrator contacts family and evaluates child's current needs and goals**
- **If family is agreeable, a home visit is made, PIC services further defined, paperwork completed, child/parent-centered goals are set.**
- **Collaborative care plan established between child/family, Children's Medical Services and PIC hospice provider.**

# SERVICES AVAILABLE

- **Supportive Therapy**
  - Psychosocial, Spiritual
- **Activity Therapy**
  - Art, Music, Play
- **Pain/Symptom management**
  - Physician
- **Hospice Nursing Care**
- **Personal Care**
- **Volunteer Services**
- **Respite – RN, LPN, CNA**
  - up to 7 days/year (168 hours)

# BENEFITS OF PROGRAM

- **Supportive services for children and their families with a life-limiting conditions through the continuum of their illness**
- **Continuity of care with seamless transition from one care setting to another including home and hospital**
- **Child and family-focused services**

# BENEFITS OF PROGRAM

- **Comprehensive care provided by interdisciplinary team in home**
- **Shorter and fewer hospitalizations for patients**
- **Child life and bereavement support for family members**

# BENEFITS OF PROGRAM

- **Financial compensation to Hospice organization for PIC services for patients enrolled in:**
  - **Title XIX (Medicaid)**
  - **Title XXI (Kidcare)**
  - **Children's Medical Services Safety**

# REIMBURSEMENT

- **Support Counseling** **\$40/hr**
- **Activity Therapy** **\$35/hr**
- **Physician Consultation** **Current**
- **AHCA Rate**
- **Hospice Nursing in home** **\$40/hr**
- **CNA/HHA Personal Care** **\$14/hr**
- **Respite:**
  - **Inpatient** **\$5.01/hr**
  - **In-home RN** **\$29.10/hr**
  - **In-home LPN** **\$23.10/hr**
  - **In-home CNA/HHA** **\$18/hr**



# SUMMARY

**Partners in Care – Together for Kids has contributed to the development, expansion and sustainability of community-based children’s palliative care services throughout Florida, and is serving as a model in other states in the country.**