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Target Population	Required Activities
0-6 Months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Screening for familial social needs (food, housing, finances/employment, Utilities, Interpersonal Violence, and maternal depression) per periodicity schedule</li> <li>- Same visit intervention for positive screens</li> <li>- Warm hand off to additional services</li> </ul>
6-12 Months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Screening for familial MH and SDOH needs, frequency TBD</li> <li>- CHT Follow up for positive screens</li> <li>- Referral to additional services</li> </ul>
1 year – 3 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Screening for familial SDOH needs, frequency TBD</li> <li>- CHT follow up for positive screens</li> <li>- Referral to additional services</li> </ul>
4 years – 11 years	<p><b>SCREENING REQUIREMENTS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Familial SDOH Screening, frequency TBD</li> <li>- 4 years – AAP recommends general screening tool (e.g. Pediatric Symptom Checklist-17 or Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire)</li> <li>- Child mental health screening (anxiety screening recommended starting at age 8, depression at age 12)</li> <li>- SU screen at age 11</li> <li>- Suicide screen when clinically indicated for 8-11</li> </ul> <p><b>INTERVENTION REQUIREMENTS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- CHT follow up for positive screens</li> <li>- Ensure follow up within 30 days after discharge from ED and hospital for Mental Health (measure includes ages 6 -17, Vermont Medicaid and CHIP populations have highest rate in nation at 88.1% in 2020)</li> </ul> <p><b>REFERRAL REQUIREMENTS –</b> Practice will have protocols and/or agreements in place for pediatric MH consultation, co-management, higher level of care access</p>
12-17 years	<p><b>SCREENING REQUIREMENTS –</b> Frequency TBD (Adolescent Well Care Visit and Pre-participation Physical Evaluation)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adolescent MH Screening</li> <li>- Universal Suicide Screening</li> <li>- Adolescent SUD Screening</li> <li>- Adolescent SDOH Screening</li> </ul> <p><b>INTERVENTION REQUIREMENTS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- CHT follow up for positive screens</li> <li>- Spoke staffing for further assessment of Treatment Needs</li> <li>- Ensure follow up after ED and Hospitalization for MH and SUD within 30 days</li> <li>- Initiation and Engagement of treatment 1. Opioid, 2. Alcohol, 3. Other substance.</li> </ul>

	<p><b>REFERRAL REQUIREMENTS</b> – Practice will have protocols and/or agreements in place for adolescent MH/SUD consultation, co-management, higher level of care access</p>
<p>18 years +</p>	<p><b>SCREENING REQUIREMENTS</b>  SUD  Screening at annual well visits – Alcohol, Opioids, Tobacco, Other Substances</p> <p>Mental Health  Screening for Depression and Suicide at Every <b>Visit</b>  Suicide Screening – frequency TBD  Screening for Anxiety – Frequency TBD</p> <p>SDOH  Screening for SDOH – frequency TBD</p> <p><b>ASSESSMENT</b>  Further assessment of Mental Health Treatment and SUD Treatment Needs</p> <p><b>INTERVENTION REQUIREMENTS</b> – Stepped care protocols in place for practice to ensure:</p> <p><b>When MH needs exist, CHT supports the following Interventions.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Teaching Self management skills</li> <li>◦ Providing time limited Low Intensity Services (address social supports and situational stressors)</li> <li>◦ Providing time limited Moderate Intensity Services (peer supports and lifestyle interventions)</li> <li>◦ Referral for High Intensity Services (Psychosocial support and community supports such as peer support, social participation or lifestyle interventions)</li> <li>◦ Referral to Acute/Specialist Community Level Services (Intensive team-based specialist assessment and intervention )</li> </ul> <p><b>Patients discharged from hospital will be followed up in 30 days -</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Provide treatment plan continuity</li> <li>◦ Address new or changed physical health, mental health (anxiety, depression, PTSD), substance use, and physical function needs resulting from hospitalization</li> <li>◦ Set up preventative/chronic care appointments</li> </ul> <p><b>Stepped Care (post discharge from residential or intensive outpatient treatment)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Provide treatment plan continuity</li> <li>◦ Support social adjustment (finances/employment, housing, food security, safety, general health status, relationships, recreational and social activities)</li> </ul> <p><b>When SUD needs exist, CHT will support the following:</b></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Create individualized care plans/provide and coordinate care. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Motivational Interviewing</li> <li>◦ Brief behavioral change counseling</li> <li>◦ Behavioral therapy</li> <li>◦ Referral management/follow up/support</li> <li>◦ Ref to spoke CHT for further assessment</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Post Acute Episode Follow Up (post hospitalization follow up)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Provide treatment plan continuity</li> <li>◦ Address new or changed physical health, mental health (anxiety, depression, PTSD), and physical function needs resulting from hospitalization</li> <li>◦ Set up preventative/chronic care appointments</li> </ul> <p><b>Stepped Care (post discharge from residential or intensive outpatient treatment)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Provide treatment plan continuity</li> <li>◦ Support social adjustment (finances/employment, housing, food security, safety, general health status, relationships, recreational and social activities)</li> </ul> <p><b>Continuous Care (long term relationship with PCMH)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Addressing Relapse Risks</li> <li>◦ Providing support for co-occurring issues and needs</li> <li>◦ Medication Adherence</li> <li>◦ Harm Reduction</li> <li>◦ Self-management</li> </ul> <p><b>REFERRAL REQUIREMENTS –</b> Practice will have protocols and/or agreements in place for MH/SUD consultation, co-management, higher level of care access</p>
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AND/OR, based on NCQA Standards for Behavioral Health Integration:

Practice must demonstrate that they have:

- At least one care manager, clinical social worker, or MH/SUD clinician qualified to identify and coordinate mental health and substance use needs (may conduct duties via telehealth)
- Plan for providing resources and training for the care team to enhance its capacity to address mental health needs of patients using: skill development and support systems for care team members, clinical protocols to determine when to contact a consulting specialist to advice on cases, training to conduct screening and brief interventions for alcohol (ages 12+)
- Training to conduct screening and brief interventions for depression (12+)
- Training on when to access a clinician for medication assisted treatment (adult practices)
- Demonstrate use of validated screening tools (such as the AUDIT, DAST, BAGE, CRAFFT, PHQ-2 or 9, etc)

- Have at least one clinician located in the practice who can directly provide brief interventions on an urgent basis for patients identified with a mental health condition (can be CHT or other clinician)
- Have at least one clinician located in the practice who can support Medicated Assisted Treatment and provide therapy directly, or via referral, for substance use disorders
- Works with MH and SUD providers to whom the practice frequently refers, to set expectations for info sharing and patient care
- *Has a formal **agreement/consultative relationship** with a licensed MH or SUD provider or practice group that acts as a resource for patient treatment, referral guidance, and medication management*
- Tracks referrals to CHT and external MH/SUD providers and has a process to monitor the timeliness of referral response

### References:

AAP Recommendations for Preventive Pediatric Health Care /Bright Futures

[periodicity\\_schedule.pdf \(aap.org\)](#)

US Preventive Services Task Force Recommendations for Pediatric Mental Health and Suicide Screening

[https://www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org/uspstf/sites/default/files/file/supporting\\_documents/screeening-anxiety-depression-suicide-risk-final-rec-bulletin.pdf](https://www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org/uspstf/sites/default/files/file/supporting_documents/screeening-anxiety-depression-suicide-risk-final-rec-bulletin.pdf)

AAP Screening for Suicide Risk

<https://www.aap.org/en/patient-care/blueprint-for-youth-suicide-prevention/strategies-for-clinical-settings-for-youth-suicide-prevention/screening-for-suicide-risk-in-clinical-practice/>

Integrating Mental Health Treatment into the Patient Centered Medical Home

<https://medschool.lsuhscc.edu/pediatrics/docs/Integrating%20Mental%20Health%20Treatment%20into%20the%20Patient%20Centered%20Medical%20Home.pdf>

Substance Use Disorders and the Patient Centered Healthcare Home

[https://www.thenationalcouncil.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/National\\_Council\\_SU\\_Report.pdf?dof=375ateTbd56](https://www.thenationalcouncil.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/National_Council_SU_Report.pdf?dof=375ateTbd56)

Mental Health, Substance Abuse, and Health Behavior Services in Patient-Centered Medical Homes

[https://www.aafp.org/dam/AAFP/documents/patient\\_care/nrn/kessler-mental-health-pcmh.pdf](https://www.aafp.org/dam/AAFP/documents/patient_care/nrn/kessler-mental-health-pcmh.pdf)

NCQA Distinction in Behavioral Health Integration

[06. PCMH Recognition Appendix 4 Distinction in Behavioral Health Integration 9.30.pdf](#)  
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