Medical Eligibility Criteria

This MCC waiver is for Medicaid eligible children with a serious illness or condition that is expected to last at least 12 months. The illness or condition generally makes the child dependent upon comprehensive, medical, nursing and health supervision or intervention as established by state medical criteria. The criteria categories include:

- Medications
- Hospitalizations
- Therapies
- Nursing Care
- Specialists

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What is the Medically Complex Children’s (MCC) Waiver?
The MCC waiver serves children who meet the nursing facility level of care or ICF-MR level of care. These children have a chronic physical/health condition that is expected to last longer than 12 months and meet medical criteria defined by the state, including dependency upon comprehensive medical, nursing, and health supervision or intervention. The services offered in this waiver include: Care Coordination, Incontinence Supplies, Pediatric Medical Child Care, and Respite Care.

Care Coordination
These services assist participants in gaining access to needed waiver and other State Plan services, as well as other medical, social, Medicaid educational, or community services.
- Coordination of chronic and preventive medical management
- Health related assessments
- Coordination of specialty care services with other providers to facilitate communication between specialists and families.
- 24-hour continuity of care for inpatient and outpatient problems
- Coordination of medical services, allied health (OT, PT, Speech Therapy) and other EPSDT services
- Family training about disease management, and when appropriate, the child’s management of their medical condition

Pediatric Medical Child Care (PMCC)
The objective of PMCC is to restore, maintain and promote the health status of the child through the use of skilled nursing in an outpatient setting. This service is recommended through the physician as part of a care plan and provides access to comprehensive nursing care services in a licensed child care center. PMCC services include:
- Daily planned therapeutic activities to stimulate developmentally age appropriate activity, communication and self-expression
- Access to Registered Nurses (must maintain a ratio of one nurse for every six waiver patients)
- A minimum of one meal and snack per day

Incontinence Supplies
The MCC waiver offers the following supplies, which are age appropriate and are necessary to address participants needs.
- Diapers/Briefs
- Wipes
- Gloves
- Linen protectors
- Diaper liner pads

Respite Care
Respite Care is provided on a short-term basis due to the absence or need for relief of those persons who normally provide care for the child. Respite care may be provided up to a maximum of 14 days per year.