**441—83.122 (249A) Eligibility.** To be eligible for children's mental health waiver services, a consumer must meet all of the following requirements:

**83.122(1)** Age. The consumer must be under 18 years of age.

**83.122(2)** *Diagnosis.* The consumer must be diagnosed with a serious emotional disturbance.

*a. Initial certification.* For initial application to the HCBS children's mental health waiver program, psychological documentation that substantiates a mental health diagnosis of serious emotional disturbance as determined by a mental health professional must be current within the 12-month period before the application date.

*b.* Ongoing certification. A mental health professional must complete an annual evaluation that substantiates a mental health diagnosis of serious emotional disturbance.

**83.122(3)** *Level of care.* The applicant must be certified as being in need of a level of care that, but for the waiver, would be provided in a psychiatric hospital serving children under the age of 21. The IME medical services unit shall certify the applicant's level of care annually based on Form 470-4694, Case Management Comprehensive Assessment.

**83.122(4)** Financial eligibility. The consumer must be eligible for Medicaid as follows:

*a.* Be eligible for Medicaid under an SSI, SSI-related, FMAP, or FMAP-related coverage group; or

b. Be eligible under the special income level (300 percent) coverage group; or

c. Become eligible through application of the institutional deeming rules; or

*d.* Would be eligible for Medicaid if in a medical institution. For this purpose, deeming of parental or spousal income or resources ceases in the month after the month of application.

**83.122(5)** *Choice of program.* The applicant must choose HCBS children's mental health waiver services over institutional care, as indicated by the signature of the applicant's parent or legal guardian on Form 470-4694, Case Management Comprehensive Assessment.

**83.122(6)** *Need for service.* The consumer must have service needs that can be met under the children's mental health waiver program, as documented in the service plan developed in accordance with rule 441—83.12(249A).

*a.* The consumer must be a recipient of targeted case management services or be identified to receive targeted case management services immediately following program enrollment.

*b*. The total cost of children's mental health waiver services needed to meet the member's needs may not exceed \$1,910 per month.

*c*. At a minimum, each consumer must receive one billable unit of a children's mental health waiver service per calendar quarter.

*d.* A consumer may not receive children's mental health waiver services and foster family care services under 441—Chapter 202 at the same time.

e. A consumer may be enrolled in only one HCBS waiver program at a time.

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