

Wraparound

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Forms

The following forms are referenced in this policy:

- 04-24A-P Authorization to Use or Disclose Protected Health Information – All Providers
- 04-24C Order Authorizing Examination and Treatment- Court
- 04-24P Consent to Treat- Parent
- 04-29 Authorization to Use or Disclose Protected Health Information – Single Provider
- 04-140 SDCC Wrapworks Wraparound Referral
- Fred Finch Wrap Connections Referral Form
- 04-179 Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) Age 6-21 (CWS/CMS Template)
- 04-179sp Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) Age 6-21 (Spanish) (CWS/CMS Template)

Background

Wraparound was established in 1997 with Senate Bill 163. The goal of Wraparound is to maintain the child and youth in a home-based family care setting and prevent placement at a higher level of care through individualized, integrated, and comprehensive intensive services. Wraparound services are intended to be flexible, family-driven and culturally relevant. The process utilizes a community-based approach and emphasizes family strengths and their natural supports.

A Child and Family Team Meeting (CFTM) identifies a child/family's service needs and recommends a service plan that is comprehensive, family-centered, and strengths-based. The team is comprised of the family, youth, community, and system professionals. Wraparound CFTMs are facilitated by the Wraparound Program's Care Coordinator and will include a Family Partner and/or Youth Partner, if needed.

Background (cont.)

Wraparound programs have access to a wide range of services, including but not limited to:

- Case management
 - Community education workshops
 - Crisis intervention and planning
 - Information and referral line
 - Linkage with other child-service agencies and organizations
 - Medication management
 - Mental health services
 - Support and education
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Policy

In October 2021, Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) Part IV requires all dependent youth and Nonminor Dependents (NMD) transitioning from a Short Term Residential Treatment Program (STRTP) into a home-based placement to receive aftercare services for at least six (6) months utilizing the wraparound model. Wraparound services can assist in maintaining the youth in a home-based placement setting through individualized, integrated, and comprehensive intensive services. For additional information on FFPSA and aftercare services, refer to Making and Case Managing STRTP Placements.

The SW, STRTP, and other service providers (e.g., CASS, FFAST, etc.) may submit the referral for wraparound services up to 90 days prior to a youth/NMD's discharge from an STRTP using the San Diego Center for Children WrapWorks Wraparound Referral (04-140). See Referring to SDCC Wrapworks below for procedures.

All dependent youth/NMDs receiving wraparound services must have a Special Project Code (SPC) entered in CWS/CMS. Once Wrapworks has accepted the youth/NMD for services, SWs will enter the start date in the SPC tab as "S-Wraparound Program." If the youth/NMD's participation in wraparound services ends prior to the case closing, SW will also add the end date to the SPC.

Wraparound Providers

San Diego County has wraparound providers who have the capacity to serve eligible children and youth. The following table details the population served by each program:

Provider	Eligibility Requirements
Fred Finch Wrap Connections (619) 797-1090 Fred Finch Wraparound Referral Form	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Youth ages 6-18 years old in an open investigation referral and closing or in an open dependency case with a set court hearing to terminate in 30 days.• Youth has full scope Medi-Cal• Youth presents with mental health or behavioral health concerns AND

**Wraparound
Providers (cont.)**

Provider	Eligibility Requirements
<p>Fred Finch Wrap Connections (cont.) (619) 797-1090 Fred Finch Wraparound Referral Form</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Youth is stepping down from a higher level of care such as Emergency Screening Unit (ESU) or inpatient psychiatric hospital 2. Youth is currently at risk of a higher level of care and outpatient services have been insufficient to maintain stabilization in the home
<p>San Diego Center for Children (SDCC) WrapWorks (858) 277-9550 main line</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth ages 3-20 in an open Voluntary Services or Dependency Case • Youth must meet the medical necessity criteria for Medi-Cal specialty mental health services (Title 9 of the California Code of Regulations). • Additionally, youth must meet one of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Transitioning from a Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program to a home-based family setting within three months or 2. At risk of entering a higher level of care 3. Transitioning home to their parent. <p>NOTES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WrapWorks can continue to work with families after case closure if they start working with them prior to their dependency/delinquency case closing. • Ideally, referrals will be made 3 months prior to reunification • Referrals can be made for youth living in STRTP, FFA, and Resource Family Homes to assist with the transition to a lower level of care or home • NMDs must be accepted in Wraparound services prior to their 19th birthday to receive continued wraparound services up to the age of 21

**Wraparound
Providers (cont.)**

Provider	Eligibility Requirements
<p>San Diego Center for Children Fostering Family Agency Stabilization (FFAST) Wraparound 858-633-4115 (main line)</p> <p>FFAST Brochure</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Services youth ages 0-21 who are in a Foster Family Agency (FFA) placement only and • has full scope Medi-Cal • has an open Dependency case • presents with mental health or behavioral health concerns <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FFAST has an array of services ranging from individual and family therapy to wraparound services • Referrals to FFAST are made through the FFA social worker. County workers are asked to coordinate with the FFA social worker to request a referral to FFAST services • FFAST does accept urgent referrals for youth who are actively experiencing suicidal ideation, are at immediate risk of hurting self or others and/or were recently discharged from inpatient psychiatric services or on a 5150 psychiatric hold

**Referring to SDCC
WrapWorks**

The table below details the process for submitting a wraparound referral for a youth in an open Voluntary Services or Dependency Case:

Step	Who	Action
1	SW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete the 04-140 • Email the 04-140 to wrapworks@centerforchildren.org and CC to the person identified at the bottom of this file with the following documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consent for Examination and Treatment of a child (04-24P) or Order Authorizing Examination and Treatment (04-24C), as applicable ○ Current Authorization to Use or Disclose Protected Health Information (04-24A-P) or (04-29), as applicable ○ CANS (04-179 or 04-179s) <p>NOTE: SDCC and CFWB have a secure pathway and can send emails without encryption.</p>

**Referring to SDCC
WrapWorks (cont.)**

Step	Who	Action
2	SDCC WrapWorks	Contact the parent/caregiver and assigned SW within one week from receipt of the referral.
3	SW	Enter SPC (S-Wraparound Program) start/end date in CWS/CMS).

NOTE: Youth/NMDs who are accepted into the WrapWorks program will be assessed for Enhanced Services Eligibility criteria. If eligible, youth/NMD will require adherence to CFTM timelines, including having a CFTM to support their mental health needs at a minimum of every 90 days. WrapWorks facilitates the CFTM and SWs are expected to attend at least quarterly.

**Referring to Fred
Finch Wrap
Connections**

Wrap Connections accepts referrals for families with youth in an open Emergency Response referral when no petition has been filed and a case will not be opened for ongoing services.

Staff can refer to Wrap Connections by completing the Fred Finch Wrap Connections Referral Form and:

- Email to wrapconnections@fredfinch.org or
- Fax to (619) 797-1091

NOTE: Fred Finch and CWS have a secure pathway and can send emails without encryption.

Additional information about the program can be obtained by accessing the [Wrap Connections Program Brochure](#). Program questions can be directed to Wrap Connections at (619) 797-1090 or email at wrapconnections@fredfinch.org.

**Out of County
Referral**

For youth residing out of county:

- If the youth is residing in California, mental health services are to be set up through the Behavioral Health Services department in the youth's county of residence via the Presumptive Transfer process.
 - If the youth is residing out of state, mental health services are to be set up through Optum via the 04-176A process, which is found in the Mental Health Treatment and Services policy.
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Alignment with SET

Wraparound aligns with the Safety Enhanced Together (SET) Practice Framework and supports [Value 1](#) and the agency practice of partnering with the child/youth and family when creating a service plan that is strengths-based, family-driven, and culturally respectful. It also supports [Value 3](#) and the agency practice of maintaining a holistic view of the child/youth when creating an individualized plan to coordinate responses in all life domains.
