

Fact Sheet

Children and Families Specialty Plan

An introduction to the Children and Families Specialty Plan

The Children and Families Specialty Plan (CFSP) is a new NC Medicaid Managed Care health plan.

It is a single, statewide health plan that will be managed by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina under the name Healthy Blue Care Together.

Potential Children and Families Specialty Plan beneficiaries include NC Medicaid-enrolled children, youth and young adults currently and formerly served by NC Child Welfare. The Children and Families Specialty Plan will launch Dec. 1, 2025.

Until then, potential beneficiaries will continue to get health care services the same way they do today – through NC Medicaid Direct.

WHAT IS THE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SPECIALTY PLAN?

The Children and Families Specialty Plan is designed to provide beneficiaries with seamless, integrated, coordinated health care. Having a statewide health plan will ensure beneficiaries have access to the health care they need and can continue to receive care from their providers if their foster care placement causes them to move to another location in the state.

The health plan is part of North Carolina's commitment to improve the long-term health and well-being of children who receive Child Welfare services.

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SPECIALTY PLAN SERVICES

The Children and Families Specialty Plan is an integrated health plan that will provide coverage for all services provided by Standard Plans in addition to most services offered by Tailored Plans including:

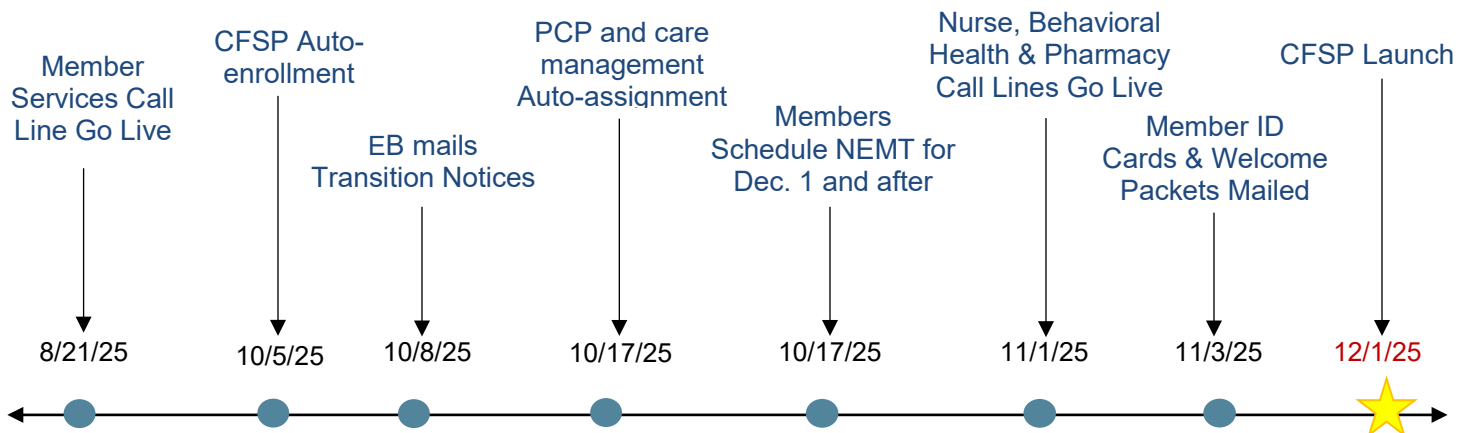
- Physical health, including regular check-ups, vaccinations and preventive care
- Pharmacy
- Care management
- Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT)
- Behavioral health, including outpatient therapy, inpatient treatment and crisis and therapeutic residential options for children
- 1915(i) Home and Community-Based Services

- Unmet health-related resource needs
- Long term services and supports
- Intellectual/Developmental Disability (I/DD) services

The Children and Families Specialty Plan will have a provider network (group) that includes doctors, therapists, specialists, hospitals and other health care facilities to provide health care services to their members.

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SPECIALTY PLAN MILESTONES

Children and Families Specialty Plan Milestones



WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SPECIALTY PLAN?

NC Medicaid beneficiaries who are in foster care, receiving adoption assistance and enrolled with former foster care eligibility will be eligible for the Children and Families Specialty Plan.

Most beneficiaries eligible for the Children and Families Specialty Plan will be automatically enrolled in the health plan. This includes:

- Children and youth currently in foster care
- Children and youth currently receiving adoption assistance
- Young adults under age 26 formerly in foster care at age 18
- Former foster care children in North Carolina that turned age 18 on or before December 31, 2022
- Former foster care children in any state who turned age 18 on or after January 1, 2023
- Minor children of these populations
- Children and youth currently in the EBCI Family Safety Program, or meet the criteria above, will not be auto-enrolled in the Children and Families Specialty Plan but will have the option to enroll

