

**NC MFP “TYSR” in MCO Landscape:
Staff and Clinical Capacity Funding (SCCB Funds)**



General Explanation of MFP “Start Up Funds”

- MFP has traditionally funded “start up” funds not covered in the waiver as a demonstration service. These funds are known as MFP Transition Year Stability Resources (“TYSR”).
- These funds are considered a “demonstration service.”
 - Paid for by MFP
 - Paid for specific MFP participants
 - Can be used to pay for “start up needs” not covered in the waiver.
 - Certain parameters apply. Please reference MFP Transition Year Stability Funds.
- In an MCO/Innovations waiver context, these “start up funds” will remain available but with a different payment method and with an increased emphasis on pre-transition staff training and clinical consultation.

Use of Start Up Funds in MCO/Innovations Context: TYSR/SCCB (Staff and Clinical Capacity Building Funds)

- MFP recognizes that strong staff training and clinical consultation are often the most critical “start up” needs a transitioning individual with I/DD may have.
- MFP expects I/DD transition planning teams to prioritize TYSR/SCCB funds for this purpose as appropriate.
- Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) will be authorized to access up to \$3,000.00 per MFP I/DD participant to support **person-specific** (i.e. meeting with MFP Participant, learning his routines NOT paying for CPR certification) community-based staff and clinical capacity building.
- These resources are **not** included in the MCO’s capitated rate payment but are **additional** resources available to MCOs to support MFP participants.
- These funds will be referenced as TYSR/SCCB (*Staff and Clinical Capacity Building Funding* (“SCCB Funds”))

TYSR/SCCB Guidelines

- MFP shall reimburse for direct support staff training at a rate of \$21.40 per hour and clinical consultation at the applicable billing rate.
- These resources are for training and consultations specific to the MFP participant (i.e. person specific training, participation in planning meetings)

- These resources cover the time of direct support staff training, not administrative staff time for participating in planning sessions.
- MCO shall request reimbursement from MFP for SCCB funds after the individual has transitioned.
- SCCB Invoice is available at: www.mfp.ncdhhs.gov under General Information About the Application and Transition Process.
- MFP *may* authorize additional expenditures for other items or services not covered under the Innovations Transitions Services or by Medicaid.

MCOs Accessing SCCB Funds

- To access these funds, the MCO will submit on its letterhead an itemized request to the MFP staff, using the attached template. The MCO will attach relevant invoices and receipts when submitting the request.
- If MFP authorizes the request, MFP staff will initiate an administrative payment to the requesting MCO.
- The MCO is then responsible for ensuring that appropriate vendors and provider are paid for the services invoiced.
- These funds shall be available to cover authorized, transition-related expenses incurred 60 days prior to the transition date and up to 356 days after the transition occurs.
- Until further notice, MFP will not be able to advance funding for SCCB expenses.
- MFP will reimburse the MCO authorized SCCB-related expenses for MFP participants who do not transition, but will require additional information from the MCO regarding to the reasons why the transition did not occur.
- MFP participants who do NOT have I/DD (i.e. elders or individuals with physical disabilities) also have access to MFP “start up funds.” These funds are not managed by the MCO, but rather the participant’s transition coordination entity. Please See MFP’s Transition Year Stability Resource policy for these individuals.