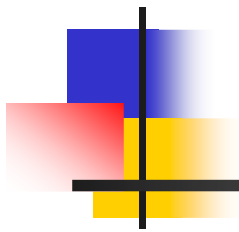


# Utilizing Medicaid to Build Family Support Programs and Services



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# Basics of Medicaid

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- Enacted under the Social Security Amendments of 1965.
- Medicaid was designed to serve both those eligible for public assistance and those whose incomes fell just above that level but were judged to be “medically indigent”.
- Medicaid is administered by the individual states, with a combination of state and federal funding under federal guidelines.



# Basics of Medicaid

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## **Challenges:**

- Wide variation in the quality and range of services in the different states
- Implementation problems
- Under service
- Marketing abuse

Medicaid is the largest program run by the  
Federal Government



# Defining Service Components

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## **Currently each of the States:**

- (1) Establish their own eligibility standards
- (2) Determine the type, amount, duration and scope of services
- (3) Set the rate of payment for services
- (4) Administer their own programs



# Defining Service Components

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Medical assistance is *not* provided for all poor persons under Medicaid. Even under broad provisions of the Federal statute, Medicaid does *not* provide health care services for even the very poor *unless* they are in one of the designated groups.

# Defining Service Components

## Georgia Rehab Option

- Intensive Family Intervention
- Community Support Team
- Community Support Individual



## Arizona Direct Support Services

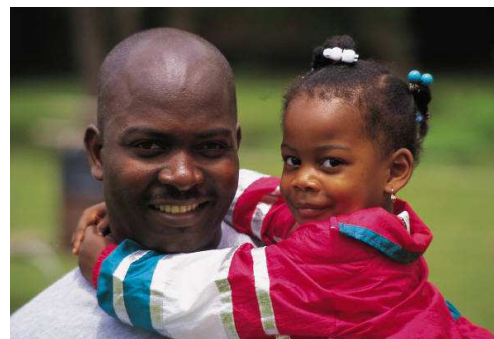
- Peer-to-peer direct support interventions
- Peer Support
- Family Support – Home Care Training Individual
- Family Support – Home Care Training Group
- Skills Training – Individual
- Skills Training – Group
- Education & Training – Individual
- Education & Training – Group
- Transportation
- Respite

# Service Definitions

Georgia Parent Support Network, Atlanta, GA

## **Intensive Family Intervention**

- Team Approach
- Lead by Licensed Clinician
- Psychologist & Psychiatrist must be part of the team
- Parent acts as Para-pro either as support or as "Team Worker"



# Service Definitions

Georgia Parent Support Network, Atlanta, GA



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## **Community Support Team**

- Team must be lead by Licensed Clinician
- Team must employ Peer Specialist
- Parent acts as Para-pro either as support or as “Team Worker”

\*Parapro’s must work under the supervision of a MHP or SAM

# Service Definitions

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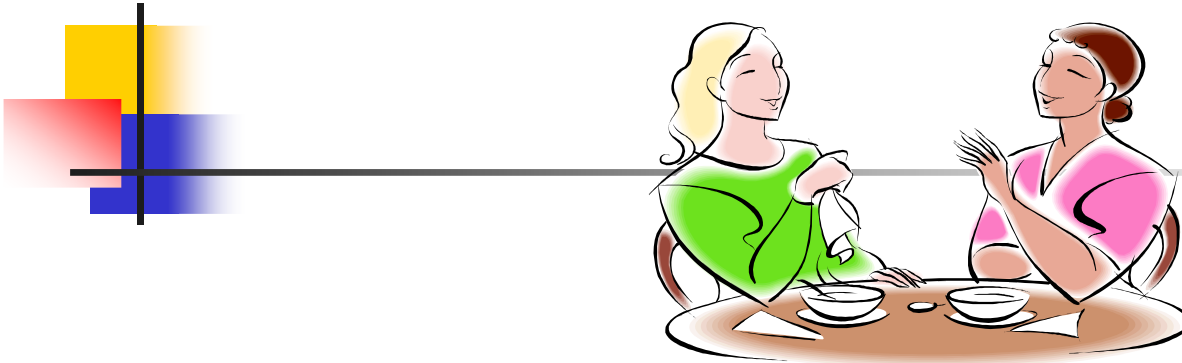


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## **Direct Support Services**

- Referrals come from Medicaid provider agencies
- Must work in collaboration with Arizona Practice Model
- Must document all phases of work, i.e., identifying strengths, needs, developing plans that contain measurable goals
- Planned interventions must be individualized and needs-driven
- Services are provided by parents and family members, Para-pros & BHTs

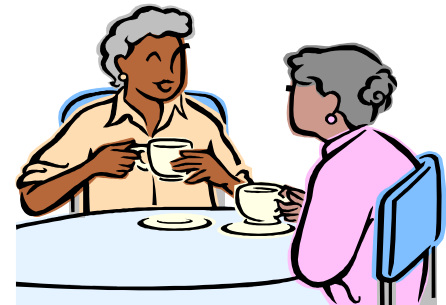
# WHAT is a Parent Partner?



- The foundation of the service is specialized support from one parent to another
- The service is an intervention provided by another parent / caregiver who has “walked the walk,” and can identify with and relate to what families are going through

# Key Components of Parent Roles in Service Delivery

- Peer-to-peer parent supporters, not parent correctors
- **Engage** families in the process & identify their *functional* strengths
- **Planning** – come to agreement about how “we will get there”
- **Implementation** – doing the work
- **Transition** – exiting services





# Billing Mechanisms

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## **Documentation of services provided:**

- Progress Notes
- Work Plan and Agreement of Intervention
- Claims submitted to RBHA
- RBHA submits claims to AHCCCS

# Review of Handouts / Tools

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- Work Plan and Agreement
- Measuring Tools
- Progress Notes





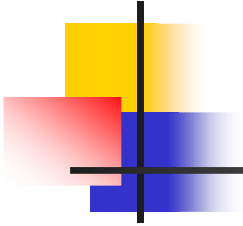
# Certification

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## **Community Service Agency**

- Certified through ADHS
- Managed through RBHA
- Certification process monitors / tracks training requirements for personnel who provide Para-pro and BHT-level services

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