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**Attention Provider Type 63 (Residential Treatment Center/Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility):**

**Notice of Transition to Federal Requirements for Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities (PRTFs)**

Federal law requires any Residential Treatment Center (RTC) seeking Medicaid reimbursement for services rendered to youth through the psych under 21-benefit to satisfy all federal and state requirements for Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities (PRTFs), including Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) PRTF certification. To be certified as a PRTF, the facility must meet the Conditions of Participation (CoP) found at 42 CFR, Part 483, Subpart G and 42 CFR Part 441, Subpart D.

A PRTF is a non-hospital facility that provides treatment at an inpatient level of care to children and youth under the age of 21 with complex mental health needs. Medicaid-enrolled providers who are seeking Medicaid reimbursement for services rendered must satisfy all federal and state requirements. [Nevada Medicaid Services Manual \(MSM\) Chapter 100](#) Section 102(B)(3) – Provider Enrollment – Conditions of Participation (1) states: *“Medicaid may reimburse a provider who meets the following conditions: meets all the professional credentialing requirements or other conditions of participation for the provider type.”*

[Chapter 400](#) Section 403.8 of the MSM generally aligns with the federal requirements for PRTFs except for its references to RTCs and lack of specification regarding the need to obtain CMS PRTF certification. To ensure federal and state compliance, Nevada Medicaid will update policy and change RTC provider requirements to include proof of PRTF certification from each RTC currently enrolled, or those seeking enrollment, in Nevada Medicaid.

As of April 1, 2025, all RTCs currently enrolled in Nevada Medicaid must provide proof of PRTF certification by the appropriate state licensing agency to Nevada Medicaid. Failure to provide the PRTF certification by April 1, 2025, may result in termination of the Nevada Medicaid contract.

A letter has been mailed to all currently enrolled PT 63 providers regarding the PRTF certification requirements. An attestation form is located on the third page of the letter. Please complete the attestation form and return it via email to [BehavioralHealth@dncfp.nv.gov](mailto:BehavioralHealth@dncfp.nv.gov), Subject Line: RTC PRTF Attestation

In Nevada, the appropriate PRTF state licensing agency who performs the PRTF certification survey to ensure federal compliance with the CoPs is the Department of Public and Behavioral Health, specifically the Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance (BHCQC). For any questions related to Health Facilities, please contact the BHCQC by sending an email to [pbhlicensing@health.nv.gov](mailto:pbhlicensing@health.nv.gov) or calling 775-684-1030.

Out-of-state providers will need to apply for PRTF certification from the appropriate state licensing agency or entity where they are located. If you have such certification already, please submit a copy to the Nevada Medicaid Behavioral Health inbox at [BehavioralHealth@dncfp.nv.gov](mailto:BehavioralHealth@dncfp.nv.gov). Please add your facility name and National Provider Identifier (NPI) to the Subject Line.

Should you have any questions regarding this web announcement, the letter, the attestation, or the professional credentialing requirements, please reach out to the Nevada Medicaid Behavioral Health Unit at:

[BehavioralHealth@dncfp.nv.gov](mailto:BehavioralHealth@dncfp.nv.gov)