

Dear provider:

Cenpatico would like to take this opportunity to provide you with an update regarding changes to assessment requirements outlined in Senate Bill 125, which passed in the 84th Texas Legislature. Effective March 1, 2016, all children in STAR Health who enter the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) system will be required to have a Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) assessment. Please review the following requirements:

- All children between the ages of 3-18 coming into the care of DFPS for the first time will be required to have a CANS assessment completed within 45 days of entering DFPS.
- The CANS assessment will need to be administered by a licensed professional who is contracted by Cenpatico for STAR Health.
- STAR Health providers must complete training in administering the CANS assessment prior to rendering the services. You may register at www.canstraining.com to complete the training. The cost is \$12 and a discount coupon code can be obtained by contacting Lauren Schmidt at lschmidt@chapinhall.org.
- CANS assessment training must be renewed annually.
- Once completed, the CANS assessment must be loaded into the Health Passport system by the provider.
- Cenpatico will provide training to STAR Health providers on the billing requirements prior to March 1, 2016.
- Children currently being serviced in the Harris County area through the Title IVE waiver will continue to follow the established protocol.
- Providers must provide a copy of their CANS assessment training certificate to Cenpatico.
- Providers who are certified to perform the CANS assessment will be identified in the STAR Health provider directory as approved for this service.
- Providers contracted with Cenpatico will be reimbursed for claims submitted with CPT Code 90791 TJ. Reimbursement will be based on the Texas Medicaid Fee Schedule at the highest level.

What do you need to do?

1. If you are currently CANS certified, please submit a copy of your certification to: CBHNetworkDev@cenpatico.com on or before **December 31, 2015**. Please write your National Provider Identifier (NPI) number on your certification.
2. If you are not currently CANS certified, but intend to complete the training at a later date to be a part of this assessment network, please respond via email confirming the date you intend to complete the training via step 1 above.
3. Upon training completion, please go to www.canstraining.com and submit your certification via step 1 above.

Providers who do not provide proof of the appropriate certification will not be able to receive referrals for or perform CANS assessments.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email us at CBHNetworkDev@cenpatico.com or call our dedicated customer service team at 1-866-218-8263. Thank you for your continued partnership to improve the lives of STAR Health members.

Sincerely,

Have Questions?
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