

Important Plan Information



YOUR MEMBER HANDBOOK HAS BEEN CHANGED TO INCLUDE NEW SERVICES

Article 29-I Voluntary Foster Care Agency (VFCA) Health Facility Services

Starting **July 1, 2021**, Empire BlueCross BlueShield HealthPlus will cover Article 29-I VFCA Health Facility services for children and youth under age 21.

29-I VFCA Health Facilities work with families to promote well-being and positive outcomes for children in their care. 29-I VFCA Health Facilities use trauma informed practices to meet the unique needs of each child.

29-I VFCA Health Facilities may only serve children and youth referred by the local district of social services.

The 29-I VFCA Health Facility services available on July 1, 2021 include:

Core Limited Health-Related Services

1. Skill Building
2. Nursing Supports and Medication Management
3. Medicaid Treatment Planning and Discharge Planning
4. Clinical Consultation and supervision
5. Managed Care Liaison/Administration

and

Other Limited Health-Related Services

1. Screening, diagnosis, and treatment services related to physical health
2. Screening, diagnosis, and treatment services related to developmental and behavioral health
3. Children and Family Treatment and Support Services (CFTSS)
4. Children's Home and Community Based Services (HCBS)

Empire will cover Core Limited Health Related Services for children and youth placed with a 29-I VFCA Health Facility.

Empire will cover Other Limited Health Related Services provided by 29-I VFCA Health Facilities to eligible children and youth.

To learn more about these services, call Member Services at the number on your Empire member ID card.

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