

## **Exhibit 1240A-1 ATTENDANT CARE SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS AGE 17 AND UNDER**

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### Overview

This information clarifies the criteria to meet medical necessity for **general supervision** for children age 17 and under as part of the Attendant Care service.

Age 17 and under: A child must meet the criteria indicated in one of the four categories outlined below:

#### A. Unsafe Behaviors

1. Documentation of behaviors placing the child at risk of injury to self or others; **AND**,
2. Documentation that the child is receiving or pursuing services through a behavioral health agency/professional; **or**,
3. Documentation of behaviors placing the child at risk of injury to self or others; **AND**,
4. Habilitation outcome to decrease unsafe behaviors has been unsuccessful in the past.

#### B. Medical

Documentation is required from a medical professional describing a severe medical need or physical condition that would place the child at risk if left alone.

#### C. Confused/Disoriented

Documentation indicating a loss of skills (e.g., due to accident or injury) that are unlikely to be regained.

#### D. Wandering risk (age 13 - 17 only)

1. Documentation of the child leaving a situation or environment neither notifying nor receiving permission from the appropriate individuals; **AND**,
2. The youth is at risk to self or others when alone in the community or may be unable to return safely.

When a child age 17 and under meets one of the criteria outlined above, **general supervision** is then based on age criteria. The requirements outlined below may be waived with District Program Manager approval.

For children age 12 and under, general supervision may be provided when **all** of the following are met:

- A. The child cannot attend a typical day care center because
  - 1. The child's health and safety would be at risk; **OR**,
  - 2. The health and safety of others will be at risk; **OR**,
  - 3. A fundamental alteration of a day care center would be required. This requires documentation from the day care center;

**AND,**
- B. Child care in a private home or a before/after school program offered by the school/local city or county is not available or cannot meet the child's needs;  

**AND,**
- C. The parent, guardian, or other adult is not in the home;  

**AND,**
- D. Division funded summer or after school program is not available or cannot meet the child's needs (Only applies to age 3 and above.)

For children age 13- 17 **general supervision** may be provided when **all** of the following are met:

- A. A Division funded program is not available or has been considered and is not appropriate;  

**AND,**
- B. The youth receives enhanced staffing (self-contained) or assistance from an aide at school as documented on the Individual Education Program (IEP);  

**AND,**
- C. The parent, guardian or other adult is not in the home;  

**AND,**
- D. The youth has received, is receiving or will receive Habilitation to minimize the need for supervision in the future, if a wandering risk or has unsafe behaviors.