

*******Provider Alert*******

TO NorthSTAR SPN Providers
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SUBJECT: Supported Housing and Supported Employment Service Delivery to 17-year-olds

The purpose of this alert is to clarify the application of the October 24th Behavioral Health Broadcast #036 from the Texas Department of State Health Services regarding housing and employment service provision to 17-year-olds.

NorthSTAR recognizes the potential need to deliver employment and housing services as appropriate to 17-year-olds enrolled in services. In the NorthSTAR program, 17-year-olds can be treated in child and adolescent services using the existing skills training service array to deliver supported employment or supported housing. It is very important that progress notes clearly describe the employment or housing services being rendered. Please note that supported employment and supported housing services will not be allowable for members under the age of 17 years.

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