

PROVIDER ALERT

Reminder

Optum Education: YES Training
The Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS)

April 10, 2018

Dear Provider,

Please register for one of the complimentary regional training workshops that Optum, in partnership with Medicaid and the Praed Foundation, is sponsoring to support Providers with the transition to the Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) assessment tool. Master's level clinicians who are CANS certified will be able to administer and bill for the CANS as of July 1, 2018.

Optum Idaho encourages all Providers serving children and youth to attend the series of trainings supporting CANS as it will be Idaho's designated functional assessment tool and will replace the CAFAS, PECFAS, and CALOCUS. The in-person workshops offer important in-depth and experiential information for clinicians, as well as the paraprofessionals and administrative staff in your agency. If you cannot attend the in-person workshops, on demand training is available at www.tcomtraining.com.

Medicaid outpatient behavioral health services for child and adolescent Members are being modified and new services are being designed with consideration and utilization of the CANS assessment tool.

For information on training workshop dates, locations and who should attend, please visit <u>optumidaho.com > For Network Providers > Provider Trainings</u>.

To register for the training workshops, send an email to optum.com and include the agency or business name, staff attendees for each class, licensure and preferred location. There will be a maximum of 75 seats at each location, so we ask that you register two attendees per class for initial registration. However, please inform us if you have additional interested staff as we plan to maintain a waitlist and will contact you if additional seats become available.

All providers will need to obtain online CANS certification for an annual fee of \$12 and can do so at www.tcomtraining.com.

Thank you for the work that you do for children and adolescent Members!

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