

School Telehealth Pilot Project

Requirement: Line 367 of the General Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Frequency: Monthly

Due Date: 8th of each month

The Managing Entity (ME) shall implement a behavioral telehealth services pilot project for children in public schools, with an emphasis towards serving rural counties. The goal of each project shall be to create or expand an integrated telecommunications technology platform used by Network Services Providers for services provided to children and families engaged in the county school system.

For Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Funds:

The Managing Entity and Network Service Providers shall:

1. Coordinate with the Office of the Superintendent of Schools in each county to implement a project for, at minimum, the amounts allocated in **Table 1a**. The project must be coordinated in conjunction with the requirements for a Coordinated Children's System Planning in **Section C-1.1.14** of the ME's Contract, as referenced below, or latest version thereof:

C-1.1.14 Coordinated Children's System Planning

The Managing Entity shall:

C-1.1.14.1 Lead the development of the plan established in s. 394.4955, F.S., in collaboration with the agencies and stakeholders specified therein;

C-1.1.14.2 Submit a plan meeting the requirements of s. 394.4955, F.S., by January 1, 2022; subject to review;

C-1.1.14.3 Submit updates to the plan at least every 3 years thereafter; and

C-1.1.14.4 Implement the plan with the collaborating agencies and stakeholders, no later than January 1, 2023.

2. Include representatives of the Superintendent of Schools in the procurement design and selection process. With the express written concurrence of each impacted Superintendent of Schools, the Managing Entity may:
 - a. Request Department written approval for reallocations among county amounts to address situations where a Superintendent of Schools determines sufficient behavioral telehealth service capacity currently exists using other resources. The Managing Entity may not request reallocations from a county designated in **Table 1a** as "Rural" to a county designated as "Urban."
 - b. Combine multiple counties in a single procurement where doing so creates opportunities for administrative efficiencies and enhanced service coordination.

Allowable services/expenses:

- Behavioral telehealth services for students and their families referred by the school system, or

- Any technology and system implementation supports needed to address the identified needs for behavioral telehealth services, including equipment, software, licenses, training, and hosting, maintenance and technical support services needed for the selected telehealth platform, or
- Any combination of behavioral telehealth services of technology and system implementation supports.

The Managing Entity may, with the concurrence of the Superintendent of Schools, amend funds for behavioral telehealth services, into an existing contract already providing services to the target population which has been previously procured according to the Managing Entities establish procurement procedures.

Ad Hoc and additional reporting may be required as determined necessary by LSF Health Systems or the Department of Children and Families.