



Weekly Provider News

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Guidelines for Use of Psychotropic Medications in Foster Care

The Department of Health Care Services and the California Department of Social Services have released “The California Guidelines for the Use of Psychotropic Medication with Children and Youth in Foster Care”. This guide includes best practices for the treatment of mental health conditions affecting children and youth in out-of-home care. These guidelines are not mandates for providers of mental health and/or social services, but have been developed for use in conjunction with existing mandatory State regulations related to the provision of Medi-Cal mental health services and community care licensing regulations related to foster homes, group homes, and residential treatment centers.

To download this resource, please visit <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/Pages/qip-resources.aspx>.

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