



Bridges to Health Services

YAP's B2H Services

YAP is an approved provider of six Bridges to Health (B2H) services. B2H is New York State's Medicare and Medicaid funded Home and Community Based Services Waiver for children in foster care. YAP is an approved provider for Bridges to Health (B2H) services in New York State. YAP provides the following services:

- **Skill Building Services:** Support, guide, mentor, coach and/or train the child and/or family/caregiver(s) to support successful functioning in the home and community. Skill building may occur in the home, community or school at any reasonable time and include various activities based on individual need.
- **Prevocational Services:** Prepare youth age 14 or older with severe disabilities to engage in paid work through teaching concepts, including those attitudes, habits and behaviors that will help youth be successful in the work environment.
- **Supported Employment:** Prepare children with severe disabilities age 14 and older to engage in paid work by supporting youth to find and maintain a specific job.
- **Planned Respite Services:** Provide planned short-term relief for family/caregivers. Respite may be provided in or out of the child's home, on a short-term or daily basis (YAP does NOT provide overnight respite).
- **Family Caregiver Supports and Services:** Provide support and services to enhance the child's ability to function as a member of a family unit and enhance the family/caregiver's ability to care for the child in the home and/or community. These services are available to foster families, pre-adoptive and adoptive families, and birth families of the enrolled child.
- **Special Needs Community Advocacy and Support Services:** Provide family, caregivers, and community or school personnel with techniques and information to improve their ability to respond to the needs of the young person. The service may include direct advocacy on behalf of the youth or family or training related to the child's special needs for the youth, family, school and community staff. It does not replace special education services.

The Process

The B2H referral is made by the county to the specific Health Care Integration Agency it chooses. The agency then meets the family and decides on goals. Once the goals are decided upon, the agency gives brochures or materials to the families about each of the Waiver Service Providers (i.e., YAP) who provide the services they need as outlined in their goals/plan. The families then choose who they would like as a service provider. Once YAP is chosen, the HCIA sends us a referral and describes the decided upon goals. YAP meets the family and completes a small intake of our own before providing the specific services that were requested.



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