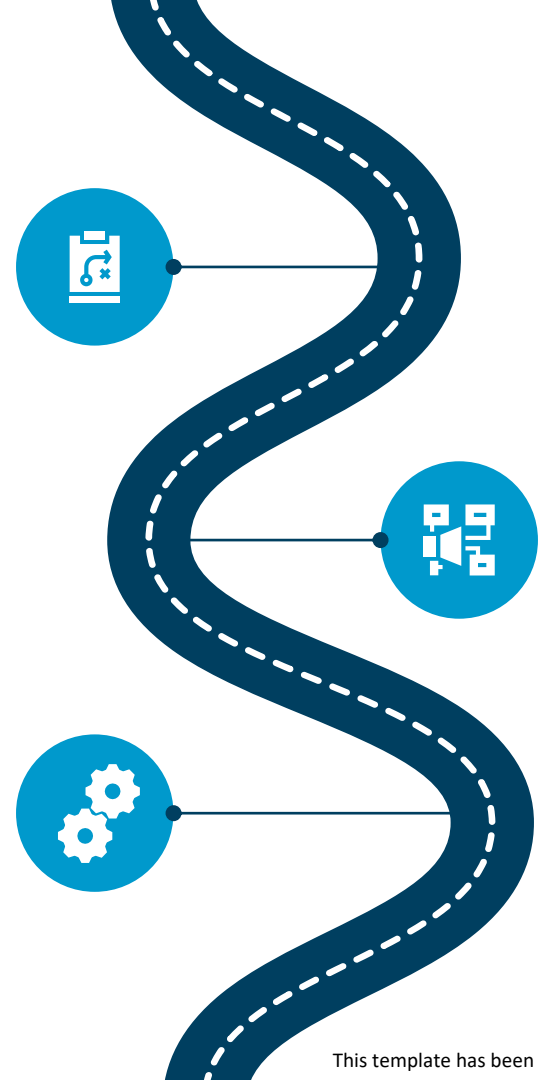


The Children's Services Division (CSD) Overview



Previous BSP Definition & Eligibility

BSP is an in-home program available to individuals ages **8-21 with an intellectual disability and challenging behavioral need**, which is not related to a mental health diagnosis or a mood disorder, and results in the functional impairment of the child.

The **behavior must result in the impairment of the individual** which substantially interferes with, or limits...

- the individual's functioning in the family or community activities,
- poses a risk to the health and safety of the individual and/or others and
- interferes with his or her ability to achieve goals and make overall progress

New CSD Definition & Eligibility

CSD oversees an in-home support program for individuals with annualized funding, who are **no more than 22 years old**.

Eligibility requires that an individual is first eligible for DDS Services, **and** has one or more of the following hardships, which cannot be met with parental, age dependent support only.

The **behavior must result in the impairment of the individual** which substantially interferes with, or limits...

- the individual's functioning in the family or community activities,
- poses a risk to the health and safety of the individual and/or others and
- interferes with his or her ability to achieve goals and make overall progress

Medical needs beyond current nursing services, authorized through insurance.

Physical disabilities with an extraordinary need for support with Activities of Daily Living (ADLs) beyond current home health aide services, authorized through insurance

***Service requests for out-of-home placement will not be considered for this program.*

What has changed?

Then...

Before centralizing cases under CSD, individuals in BSP were assigned to **46** Case Managers and **14** CM Supervisors statewide.

Now..

Under CSD, all cases are assigned to **8** case managers and **1** CM Supervisor.



Case Managers may be assigned to cases from different regions



New referrals to BSP/CSD will occur on a rolling basis.



Children in Carelon Autism, DCF, VCM, LEA, and MFP will transfer over on a rolling basis.

What has NOT changed?

Individuals in BSP will continue be able to choose from an array of in-home supports and services, and will also continue to have access to the BSP Respite Centers:

- **Adelbrook's BSP Respite Center – Enfield, CT**
- ****Benhaven's BSP Respite Center – North Haven, CT**
Anticipated startup date: September 1st

***May provide respite for individuals with nursing needs.*

Who is assigned to CSD Case Management?



Any child with annualized funding assigned from DDS prior to the age of 18.



Those identified as AO due to receiving residential support from another state agency, or receiving Carelon Autism support.

All other AOs, 3 years prior to the AO date (either at 15 years old or 18 years old)



Transfers from MFP, within one month of ending MFP funding

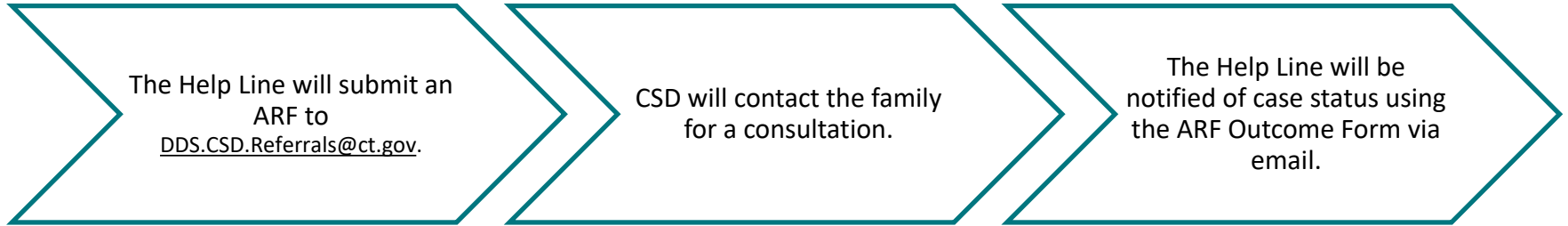
Note: *if funding ends at the age of 18 or older the individual will be transferred directly to the appropriate region*



If an AO is identified at the age of 18 or older, a case manager from the appropriate region will be assigned.

Collaboration between CSD and the Help Line

*If an individual meets the eligibility criteria for CSD,
the Help Line will contact CSD in this order:*



The Help Line will contact the CSD Director if they are concerned about a child who is under 18 years old that:

- ✓ is in a hospital
- ✓ has an active DCF case



Age-Out Reference Guide

Where did the individual come from?	Assigned to CSD Case Manager	Transfer to Regional Case Management
MFP	After MFP Year 1	Age 18
AO Sub-adoptions/ Transfer of Guardianship (Sub-adopt/ToG)	Age 15 or Age 18* <i>*Depending on age of child Sub-adopt/ToG occurs</i>	<i>Age 18 if Sub-adopt/ToG occurs before Age 16</i> Or <i>Age 21 if Sub-adopt/ToG occurs after Age 18</i>
AO LEA Placement	Age 18	Age 22 <i>*After the school year is complete</i>
AO or AOB (includes DCF, VCM, Carelon)	Age 18 and/or Ongoing	Age 21

Collaboration between the CSD and the Regions

Cases will be assigned to the regions if:

- If an AO is identified at the age of 18 or older
- If MFP year ends after the individual's 18th year.



The CSD will work closely with families to identify a plan for the individual's transition into adult services.



Once a service plan is identified and agreed upon, the case will be transferred to the regions for adult regional case management at the 45-day meeting.

Conclusion



CSD oversees an in-home support program for individuals with annualized funding, who are no more than 22 years old.



CSD will improve access to DDS services, focusing on identifying individuals earlier, to avoid reactive planning.



Individuals will benefit from specialized case management that will ensure appropriate in-home services are in place prior to regional transfer.



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