

## **MEDICATION MANAGEMENT**

# WHAT IS MEDICATION MANAGEMENT?

Medication Management can be provided by a primary care physician, pediatrician, psychiatrist, physician assistant, psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner, or a family nurse practitioner. Medication Management offers youth and families with coordination and support with prescribing, administration, and/or monitoring of medications intended for treatment and management of behavioral and emotional health.

#### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Children and youth up to age 21 with <u>MaineCare</u> (or those under age 19 with MaineCare's <u>Katie Beckett waiver</u> <u>option</u>) with a mental health diagnosis or developmental disability and is prescribed medications for their behavioral or emotional health needs. Also available for self pay or private insurance.

#### HOW DOES MEDICATION MANAGEMENT HELP?

Medication Management can be one piece of improving a youth's behavioral and emotional health. The Medication Management team can:

- Provide education on medications that can reduce symptoms
- Work with youth, families, and other behavioral health providers to identify helpful medication options
- Monitor medications and track symptom changes
- Coordinate prescribed medications and evaluate possible side effects
- Work with youth, families, and other behavioral health providers to adjust medications
- Work in collaboration with other services, including therapy and primary health care, to help improve outcomes

### HOW TO ACCESS MEDICATION MANAGEMENT SERVICES

For more information about Medication Management talk to your targeted care coordinator or other provider, visit the <u>Children's Behavioral Health website</u> or scan the QR code.

To find out if you are eligible for Medication Management, you or your care coordinator or provider can make a referral by calling the agency in your area who offers Medication Management services. To find a medication management provider, click <u>here</u>.

If you do not have <u>a care coordinator</u>, contact the <u>CBHS</u> <u>Family Information Specialist</u> or a local <u>Family Support</u> <u>Organization</u> for assistance.



Information about medications is frequently updated.

Check these websites:

www.medlineplus.com www.nimh.nih.gov

www.drugs.com