



# PROVIDER ALERT

Youth Empowerment Services (YES)  
Respite Training

March 1, 2018

Dear Provider,

As part of the Youth Empowerment Services (YES) program, individual and group Respite services are now available to children and adolescents with Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED) who meet Medicaid 1915(i) eligibility requirements when established by Liberty Healthcare. To qualify for individual and group Respite, children and adolescents must receive a Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) assessment and a Comprehensive Diagnostic Assessment (CDA). Based on these assessments, diagnostic and functional criteria will indicate Class Membership and a Person-Centered Plan will be developed with the child or adolescent by the Division of Behavioral Health (DBH) staff. Respite must be identified on this plan as a necessary service, based on the child's individual needs.

As a Medicaid reimbursed service, Providers interested in rendering this service after June 30, 2018 will be required to be part of the Optum Network, and respite workers must complete a web-based training that outlines the service requirements and expectations. **The training will be available on Relias beginning April 1, 2018.** Once completed, Providers should submit the proof of training to their Regional Network Managers so their Optum contract and fee schedule can be updated.

To create a Relias user account for you or your staff, please visit [optumidaho.com](http://optumidaho.com) > For Network Providers > Relias and OptumHealth Education.

If you have questions, please call your Regional Network Manager or Optum at 1-855-202-0983, extension 1.

Thank you for the work that you do for children and adolescent Members to improve their health and wellbeing.

Optum Idaho Education Staff