Performance Based Contracting (PBC) Measurement of Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths-Family Screener (CANS-F) Family Plan for Change (FPC) Completion

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DCYF has selected the Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths-Family Screener (CANS-F) as a preservice and post-service assessment tool for each family served under the Combined In-Home Services (CIHS) contract. Completion of the CANS-F Family Plan for Change (FPC) is included in the CIHS contract and is being considered as a component of a service quality measure for performance-based contracting (PBC). Contractors are encouraged to follow the guidelines below to ensure that the CANS-F FPC they complete are included in the PBC measurement and reporting process.

Table 1: Data Quality Guidelines

Data Quality Element	Minimum Required Provider Actions for PBC Measurement		
1. Registered Agency	 Establish a Sprout or Hovi account Ensure agency name is included in Agency Name drop-down menu on CANS-F facesheet Select appropriate Agency Name from drop-down menu on CANS-F facesheet for each CANS-F FPC 		
2. Accurate DCYF Service Referral ID and/or Case ID	 Enter DCYF Service Referral ID and/or Case ID on the facesheet Service Referral ID and/or Case ID value must exactly match the Service Referral ID and/or Case ID on the service referral 		
3. Accurate service type	 Select the appropriate type of CIHS from the Service Type drop-down menu Services that should have a FPC are: FFT, IY, PCIT, PFR, TripleP, SafeCare, FPS, and CFI. See table 2 below. 		
4. Accurate count of children and caregivers	Enter the number of caregivers and children involved in the FPC on the facesheet Child Count and Caregiver Count fields		
5. Completed Family Plan for Change Assessment Fields	 For cases with 1 caregiver and 1 child, complete a total of 47 assessment fields with a value of 0-3, including 8 Caregiver Advocacy, 10 Family Functioning, 15 Child Functioning, and 14 Caregiver Functioning fields For each additional caregiver, complete 14 additional Caregiver Functioning fields with a value of 0-3 For each additional child, complete 15 additional Child Functioning fields with a value of 0-3 		
6. Timely Submission	Save and submit the FPC within 10 days of completion so it can be included in scheduled data transfers to DCYF		

NOTE: The measurement of CANS-F FPC completion does not currently consider the date that the FPC is completed. However, providers should complete all relevant date fields in the CANS-F (Initial Face-to-Face, FPC Completion, Transition Completion, End of Intervention Completion) because they may be included in future PBC measures.

Table 2: CANS-F Completion Calculation Based on Famlink Payment Data

CIHS Type(s)	Payment Data Structure	CIHS Episodes* NOT expected to have a CANS-F FPC (excluded from measure)	CIHS Episodes* Expected to Have CANS-F FPC (measure denominator)
TripleP, SafeCare, PFR, FFT, IY Home, PCIT	Distinct payment codes and amounts for four payment steps	Step 1 payment only	Step 2 payment during measurement period
CFI	Distinct payment codes and amounts for four levels of service delivery	Engagement or Attempted Intervention payment only	Completed Intervention or Incomplete Intervention payment during measurement period
FPS	Clinical session rate is \$76.32/hour; same payment code used for counselor sessions, paraprofessional, travel, and concrete goods	<5 hours total (<\$381.60) paid	5+ hours (\$381.60+) paid for a service episode initiated** during the measurement period
IFPS- Homebuilders	Distinct payment codes and amounts for three levels of service delivery (<10hrs, >10hrs, Complete)	N/A—Homebuilders cases are not required to complete the FPC, just the end of intervention report	
IY Class	Weekly person participation and completion report payment codes	N/A—IY Class cases are not required to complete any parts of the CANS-F	

^{*}A CIHS episode is a unique Service Referral ID, Agency, and CIHS Type

^{**}An initiated service episode is a unique Service Referral ID, Agency, and CIHS type that does not have a payment for the same CIHS type within the 6 months prior to the beginning of the measurement period