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- 2) ongoing, on-site observation by a mental health professional or mental health practitioner for at least one hour during every 40 hours of service; and
- 3) immediate accessibility of the mental health professional or mental health practitioner to the mental health behavioral aide when the services are provided.

Components A-E, above, may be combined to constitute the following two therapeutic programs:

- A. A day treatment program, provided by a multidisciplinary staff under the clinical supervision of a mental health professional, consists of group psychotherapy for more than three recipients and other intensive therapeutic services. It is provided by an outpatient hospital accredited by the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, a community mental health center, or a county contracted day treatment provider. Day treatment is provided at least one day a week for a minimum two-hour time block (of which one hour, is individual or group psychotherapy). A child may receive less than two hours per day of day treatment if the child is transitioning in or out of day treatment.
- B. A preschool program provided by a multidisciplinary team in a licensed day program for children who are at least 33 months old but not yet attending kindergarten. A preschool program must be available two hours per day, five days per week, and twelve months of each calendar years. A child may receive less than two hours per day of this service if the child is transitioning in or out of the therapeutic preschool program.

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4.b. Early and periodic screening, diagnosis, and treatment services: (continued)

children's therapeutic services and supports provider.

- D. Services that are the responsibility of a residential or program license holder, including foster care providers.
- E. More than 15 hours of children's therapeutic services and supports provided within a six-month period to a child with severe emotional disturbance who is residing in a hospital, a group home, a residential treatment facility, or other institutional group setting or who is participating in a partial hospitalization program, if part of a discharge plan.
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Telemedicine services. Children's therapeutic services and supports that are otherwise covered as direct face-to-face services may be provided via two-way, interactive video if medically appropriate to the condition and needs of the recipient.

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