Child Therapeutic Foster Care (CTFC) is a voluntary mental health service available to Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED) Waiver recipients. SED waiver provides additional Medicaid services for children through age 20 who are diagnosed with a Serious Emotional Disturbance. CTFC offers an alternative to psychiatric hospitalization or other mental health placement. The goal is to keep youth in their home community while maintaining intensive community-based treatment. Youth will also receive Community Mental Health for Central Michigan homebased mental health services, as well as wraparound facilitation services. They are also eligible for (and encouraged to utilize) parent support partner services. Parent support partner services are provided by parents, or primary caregivers, with first-hand experience navigating public child serving agencies and raising a child with mental health or developmental challenges.

What are the benefits of becoming a therapeutic foster care provider? Keep children in their county, in their schools, and out of residential placement/institutions.

Join a team of mental health treatment providers
• Provide a meaningful presence in a child’s life while working to reunite the child with their permanent family
• Receive an enhanced rate to support one child at a time
• Receive comprehensive individualized training specific to one child’s needs
• Access intensive in-home and outpatient specialty mental health services
• Access 24-hour/7 days per week crisis intervention

For more information, please call 800-317-0708 ask to speak with the Children’s Supervisor or Program Director.