

## **CHAPTER 2**

### **Section 2.5.1 Children with Serious Emotional Disturbances Overview**

MDCH has three technical requirements that focus primarily on working with children with serious emotional disturbances (SED). The guidelines are also applicable to children with developmental disabilities who are also experiencing a diagnosable mental health or emotional disorder co-morbid with their developmental disability. The first technical requirement establishes criteria for the assessment of a youth for eligibility for services with community mental health agency. The second requirement outlines the expectation of family participation throughout the system of care for children. The Family Driven/ Youth Guided Technical Requirement establish in policy and in practice guidelines the inclusion of parents and youth across the selection, implementation and delivery of services to children in their community. The third attachment outlines the specific clinical model of providing services for the family in the “home based” environment. The Michigan Medicaid Provider Manual has been revised and updated as of 7/01/11.