Texas CANS 3.0 Assessment Provider Checklist



This checklist is a resource for Texas Child and Adolescence Needs and Strengths (CANS) 3.0 assessors. Adhering to all items will support a thorough, consistent and efficient submission of a Texas CANS 3.0 Assessment.

Complete	Checklist Items
	General:
	Obtain medical consenter/caregiver/caseworker name and contact information.
	Confirm member is STAR Health eligible.
	Ensure a Texas CANS 3.0 has not already been completed.
	Schedule appointment within 30 days of removal - OR-
	Schedule Annual Assessment on or up to 7 days before the Annual Texas CANS 3.0 is due.
	Check Health Passport for Family Strength and Needs Assessment (FSNA).
	Complete assessment in person or by telehealth (If contracted as a telehealth provider and approved by DFPS).
	Enter comments in support of centerpiece, useful or identified strengths.
	Enter comments in support of scores indicating a need that requires monitoring or identify as a moderate or severe need.
	Clinical Impressions: Does not state "refer to other document". Documentation includes areas where youth scored levels of moderate and severe needs. Indicates if FSNA was not available and family information is limited.
	 Treatment Target Areas: Does not state "refer to other document". Documentation includes areas where youth scored levels of moderate and severe needs. Documentation includes support of centerpiece, useful or identified strengths.
	Background Needs:
	Anticipated Outcomes: Document benefits to the youth if treatment target areas and recommendations are followed. Please identify if the auto-generated recommendations do not align with your clinical impressions or treatment target areas.
	Strengths that Support the Plan: Documentation includes, at a minimum, discussion around strengths rated as centerpiece, useful or identified.
	Double-check the demographics page for errors before approving the assessment, including checking for correct Personal Identification (PID) and Medicaid numbers, correctly selecting "in Care" under Child Welfare Involvement, and selecting the correct Assessment Type for an "Initial Assessment" or "Re-assessment."
	Assessment completed and approved in eCANS within 30 days from the Date of Removal (the date that the child entered DFPS care), or as soon as possible after completion of the CANS assessment if outside of the 30-day timeframe.
	 Use Medicaid code 90791-TJ (modifier TJ is specific to this Texas CANS 3.0 Assessment). Add modifier 95 if the Texas CANS 3.0 Assessment completed by telehealth. CANS 3.0 Assessments are allowed 2 per rolling year. Additional services require an authorization. Follow Medicaid billing guidelines. Utilize Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual (TMPPM) Behavioral Health Handbook to review diagnosis. For additional questions please review the TMPPM Provider Procedures Manual.