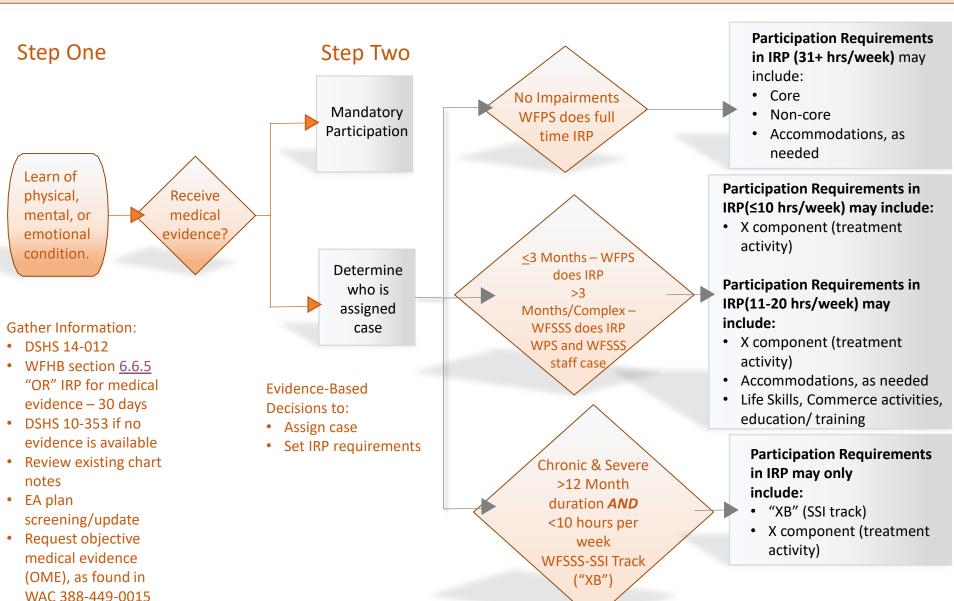
Medical Evidence Evaluations Basic Flow Chart



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Note: Use "RR" component code to refer to a WFSSS or SSIF.

WorkFirst (WF) uses a two-step process to manage cases when parents report physical (XM) and/or mental/emotional (XG) conditions. Please see WorkFirst Handbook section <u>6.8.12</u> for the step-by-step guide for this process. See WFHB 6.8, Exemptions, for parents with chronic and severe conditions who move to the SSI track.

Step 1: Gather Medical Evidence

- Review existing medical evidence in the ECR.
- Ask the participant at first contact for evidence about physical, mental, or emotional conditions, including diagnosis and treatment.
- <u>Complete the 14-012 Consent form</u>. Chemical Dependency (CD) providers must be listed on individual 14-012s, but all other providers can be listed together on one 14-012. Complete according to your knowledge of the providers you're requesting from.
- Partner with the parent to problem-solve obtaining a medical provider if needed.
- Assist the parent with scheduling the psych eval if appropriate.
- Use the "OR" component code for 30 days and create an IRP to obtain medical evidence that includes severity, duration, and treatment plan(s) for the condition(s).
- <u>Request medical evidence</u> from a licensed medical provider including a diagnosis, severity, hours of participation, and duration of conditions. Make sure to define the time frame for valid medical evidence.
- Use WF Support Services to pay for medical evidence, as needed.
- Follow up: review ending components in eJAS to ensure medical evidence was received.
- Some parents may need extra time to schedule an appointment to generate medical evidence. If this is the case, extend the requirement another 30 days (for up to 3 months maximum).
- Proceed forward with the information available.
- Follow up on provider requests after 10-14 days if evidence is not received.

Step 2: Evidence – Based Decisions

- Use medical evidence to decide who will manage the case.
- Use the "RR" component code to refer the case to a WFSSS as needed.
- Require the parent to participate up to the limits set by their provider.
- Use the EA Screening or plan to determine needed accommodations.
- Use the 14-012 Consent Form to communicate with partners what accommodations the parent needs to participate.
- Incorporate recommended treatment plans in their IRP.

Some parents will only be able to participate 10 hours or less per week. Use the following components in these cases:

- XG and/or XM for conditions expected to last less than 12 months.
- XB or ZD exemption (and any other X components as needed) for conditions expected to last 12 months or more.

