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Empowering communities to serve youth

# Can CSA Pay?

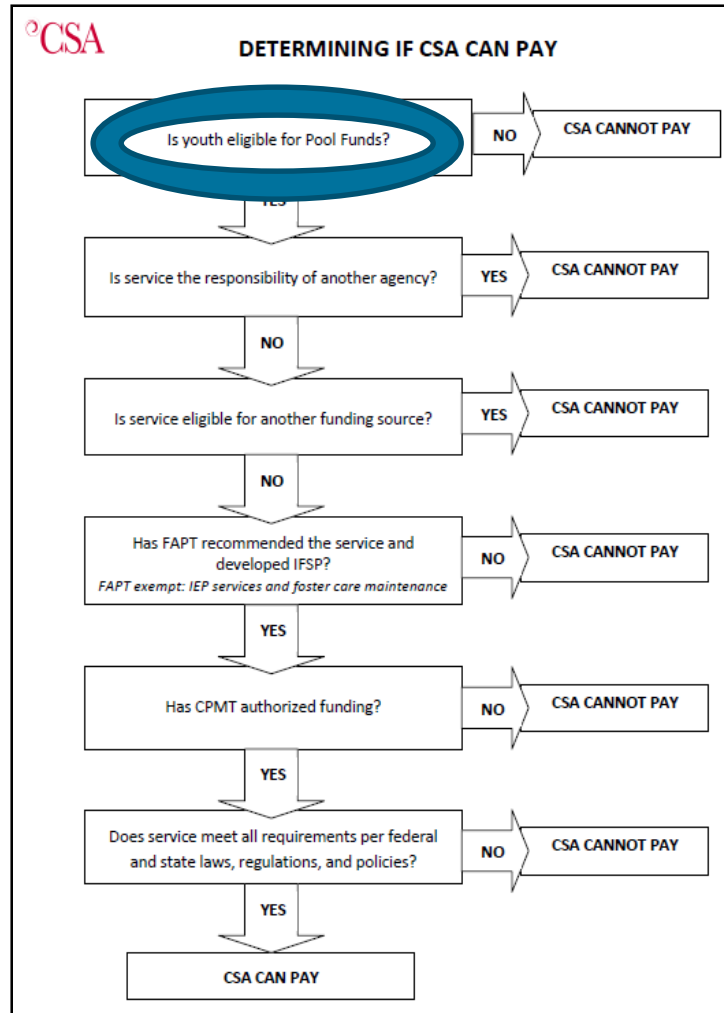
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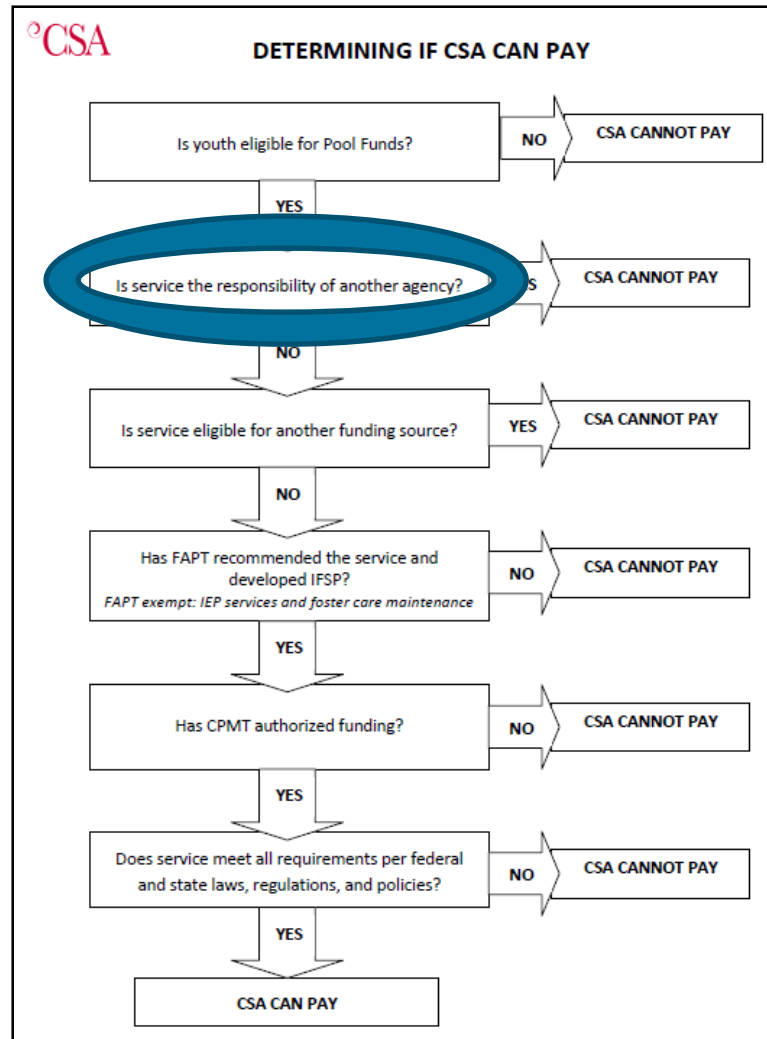
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- It is not guess-work or magic.
- It is based upon requirements established by the Children's Services Act.
- Apply the requirements to determine the answer.



**Is the youth eligible for  
Pool Funds?**

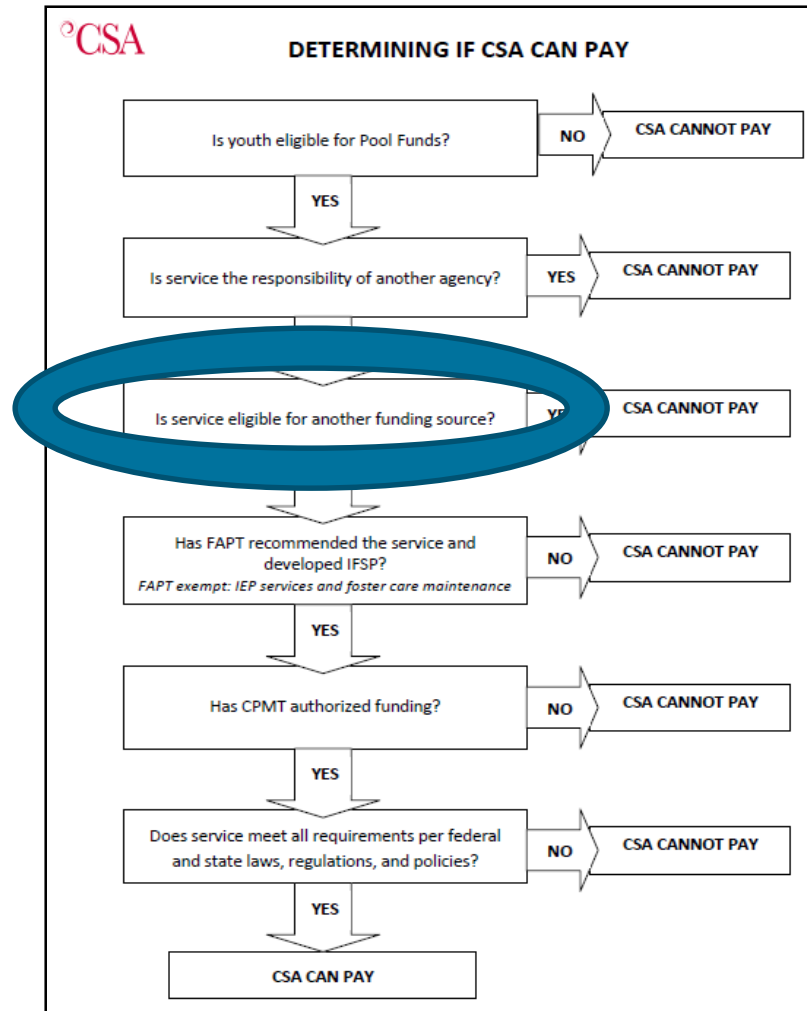
**The Code of Virginia and  
policies of the State  
Executive Council establish  
eligibility for Pool Funds.**



**Is the service the  
responsibility of another  
agency?**

## **Code of Virginia §2.2-5211D:**

“The community services board, the local school division, local social services agency, court service unit or Department of Juvenile Justice shall continue to be responsible for providing services identified in individual family service plans that are within the agency's scope of responsibility and that are funded separately from the state pool.”



**Is the service eligible for another funding source?**

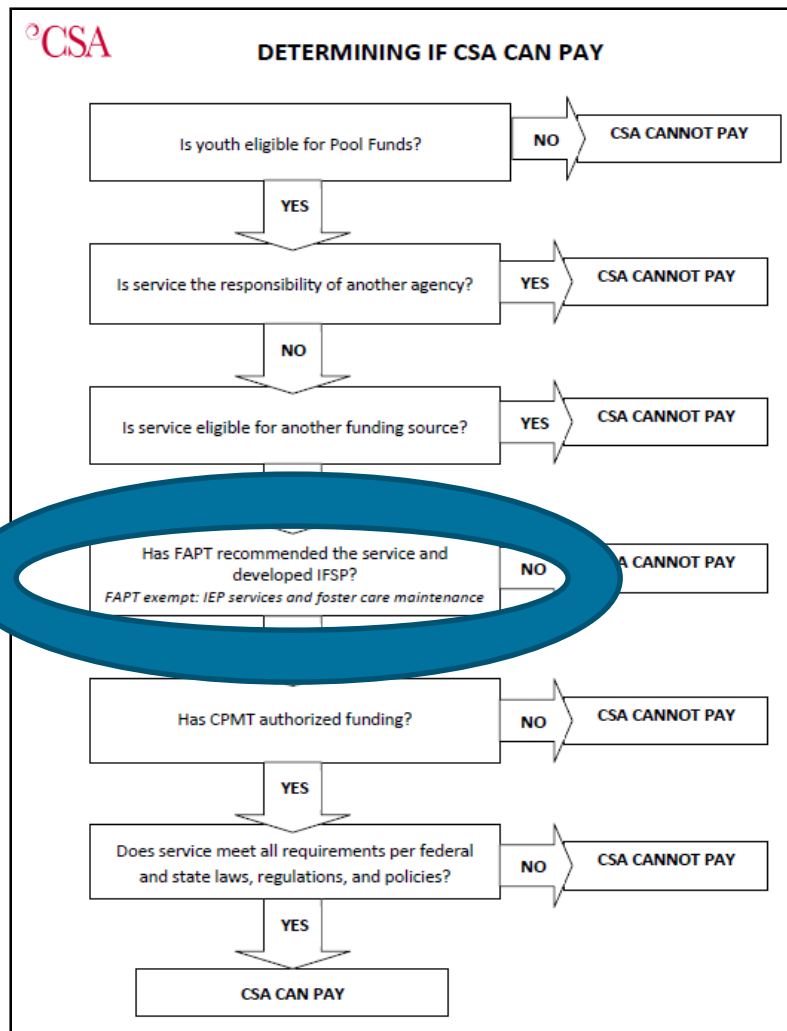
## **SEC Policy – 4.4 Restrictions on Pool Funds**

“Pool Funds cannot be used to supplant federal or state funds supporting existing programs.”

## **Appropriations Act Item 274 E.**

“Community Policy and Management Teams shall use Medicaid-funded services whenever they are available for the appropriate treatment of children and youth receiving services under the Comprehensive Services Act for At-Risk Children and Youth. Effective July 1, 2009, pool funds shall not be spent for any service that can be funded through Medicaid for Medicaid-eligible children and youth except when Medicaid-funded services are unavailable or inappropriate for meeting the needs of a child.”

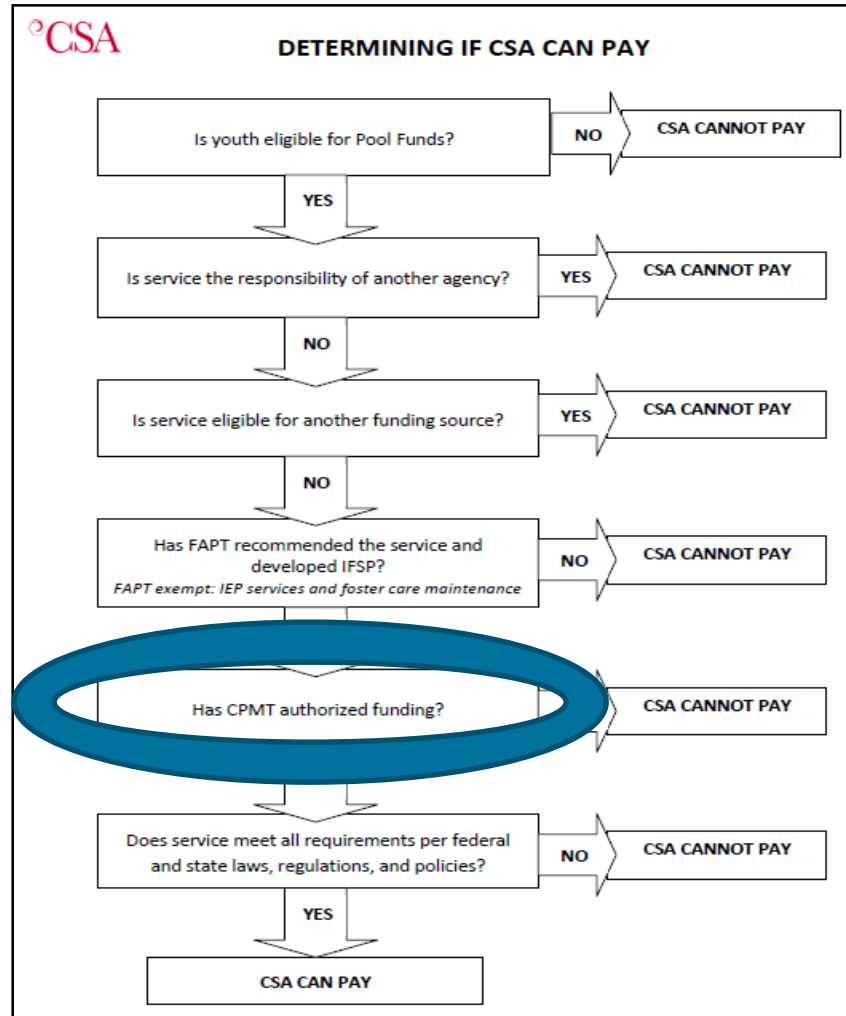




**Has FAPT recommended the service and developed an IFSP?**

## **Code of Virginia § 2.2-5209**

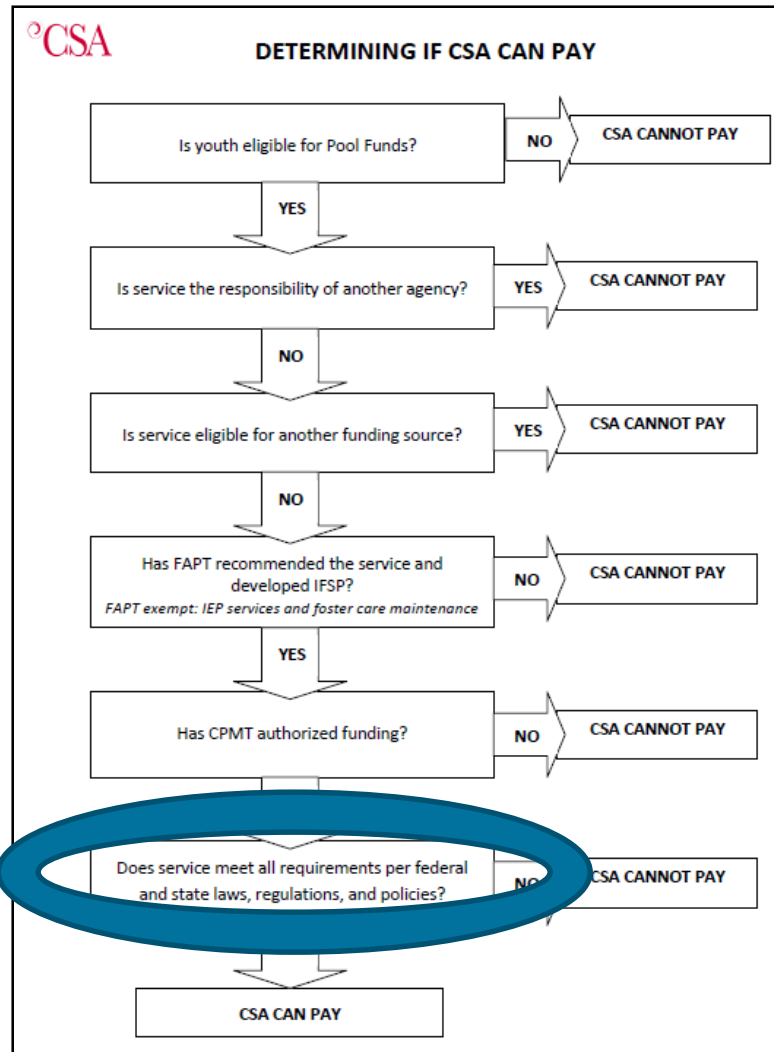
“... all youth and families for which CSA-funded treatment services are requested are to be assessed by the family assessment and planning team or an approved collaborative, multidisciplinary team process and shall consider the criteria set out in subdivisions A 1 and A 2 of § [2.2-5212](#). Except for cases involving only the payment of foster care maintenance that shall be at the discretion of the local community policy and management team, cases for which service plans are developed outside of this family assessment and planning team process or approved collaborative, multidisciplinary team process shall not be eligible for state pool funds.”



## Has CPMT authorized funding?

Code of Virginia §2.2-5206 – Powers and Duties of CPMT

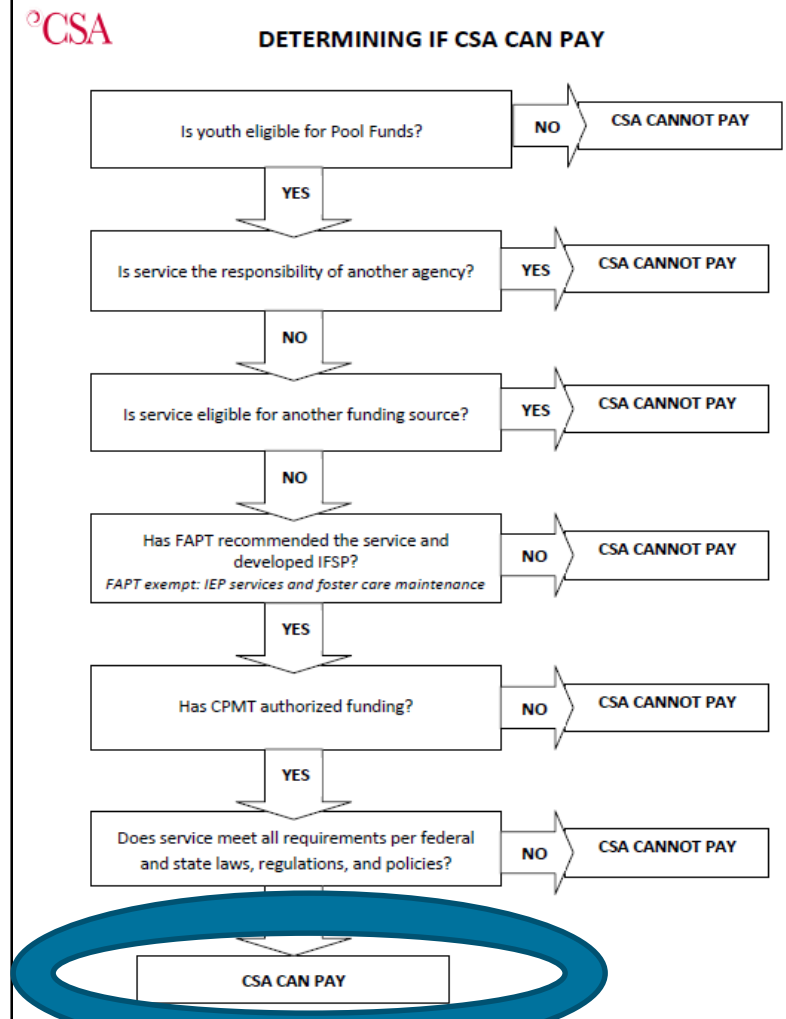
"Authorize and monitor the expenditure of funds by each family assessment and planning team or a collaborative, multidisciplinary team process approved by the Council"



**Does the service meet requirements of all federal and state laws, regulations, and policies?**

## **Code of Virginia §2.2-2648**

The State Executive Council shall have the power and duty to deny state funding to a locality “where the CPMT fails to provide services that comply with the Children’s Services Act (§2.2-5200 et seq.), any other state law or policy, or any federal law pertaining to the provision of any service funded in accordance with §2.2-5211.”



# Serving youth and families

1. Establish that CSA can pay
2. Be confident in designing the unique services necessary to meet the needs of each youth