

MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS

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Legal References: Connecticut General Statutes

- 10-76d Duties and powers of boards of education to provide special education programs and services. State agency placements; apportionment of costs. Relationship of insurance to special education costs. (As amended by P.A. 99-279 An Act Concerning Programs and Modifications Necessary to Implement the Budget Relative to the Department of Social Services.)
- 42 CFR Parts 431, 433 and 440, Medicaid Program; Elimination of Reimbursement Under Medicaid for School Administration Expenditures and Costs Related to Transportation of School-Age Children Between Home and School.
- 5.299, The Medicare, Medicaid & SCHIP Extension Act of 2007

Administrative Regulations to Policy #3231  
Medicaid Reimbursement for Special Education Students

The Board of Education will seek Medicaid reimbursement for eligible medically related services provided to Medicaid eligible special education students in accordance with federal and state law utilizing the following procedures noted below. Any such reimbursement received minus the administrative processing fee as agreed upon by the Superintendent of Schools and/or Business Manager, shall be credited to the Board of Education as a reduction in the Shared Services assessment or other appropriate charges to Regional School District No. 7 for the school year in which the reimbursement is received.

1. The Planning and Placement Team will determine, for each student who requires special education services and for each student who is referred to special education, if that child is enrolled in or eligible for Medicaid.
2. If any child is eligible for Medicaid, but not a current Medicaid recipient, the Board will request and assist the parent or guardian of that child with applying for Medicaid.
3. If any child is eligible for Medicaid, the Board will request that the parent or guardian of the child give written permission to allow the Board to request Medicaid reimbursements for eligible health related special education costs.
  - A. If written permission described is received, the Board will submit claims to Medicaid through the State Department of Administrative Services for reimbursement of any health related cost.
  - B. If written permission is denied, the Board will terminate its efforts to secure Medicaid reimbursements otherwise applicable to the child.
4. Whether the parent or guardian refuses or gives consent to the Board to access Medicaid, reimbursement is strictly optional.
5. Whether the parent or guardian refuses or gives consent to the Board to access Medicaid reimbursement, the child will receive all special education services to which he/she is entitled without delay, at no cost to the parent or guardian.

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