

Business and Non-Instructional Operations

Medical Reimbursement for Special Education Students

The Amity Regional School District No. 5 (ARSD) 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. The Board shall enroll as a provider in the state medical assistance program, participate in the Medicaid School Based Child Health (SBCH) Program administered by the Department of Social Services, and submit billable service information electronically to the Department of Social Services, or its billing agent. The Board may enter into an agreement with a third party or another board of education to comply with these requirements. The Board realizes that such third party vendor agreements to provide that cost for the above services are paid from, and are contingent on receipt of sufficient funds from, grants the Department of Social Services makes to boards of education based on Medicaid claims for special education services provided to District students.

The Board of Education may conduct a cost benefit analysis in a form prescribed by the Commissioner of Social Services to determine whether the cost to participate in the medical assistance program exceeds the revenue that would be generated for the Board. The Board, if exempted from the requirements of this policy after such cost benefit analysis, shall complete and submit such analysis to the Commissioner of Social Services every three years in order to remain exempt.

The Board of Education will obtain one-time parental consent and provide annual written notification to the parent/guardian of the student before accessing the student's or parent's or guardian's public benefits or insurance. The Board as required, will determine a child's Medicaid enrollment status.

The Board of Education will provide written notification to all parents and guardians of children who are Medicaid eligible and currently receiving SBCH services under an individualized education plan (IEP) prior to obtaining parental consent and prior to the continuation of billing Medicaid for the services. The Board will obtain parental consent from all parents and guardians who are Medicaid eligible and receiving SBCH services under an IEP in order to access their public benefits or insurance to pay for services under the Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA).

Legal Reference: 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. (as amended by June 2017 Special Session PA17-2, Sec. 51 and PA 18-182)

42 CFR Parts 431, 433 and 440, Medicaid Program; Elimination of Reimbursement Under Medicaid for School Administration Expenditures and

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Costs Related to Transportation of School-Age Children Between Home and School

5.299, The Medicare, Medicaid & SCHIP Extension Act of 2007

34 C.F.R. §300.154(d) - Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA)-Part B, related to parental consent to access public benefits or insurance