

MEDICAID MAN MESSENGER – March 2023

Reminders



We've made it halfway through the school year! Now is a good time to make sure you are up to date with your Medicaid billing before you leave for spring break.

**** Please remember to complete all assigned RMTS before leaving for spring break!!****

Case Managers - Don't forget you can bill for:

- Annual coordination of and participation in a MET or IEPT/IFSP meeting ONLY IF there is a direct or direct/consult ancillary service prescribed on the student's IEPT/IFSP
- Initial MET and IEP meetings do not qualify for Medicaid billing, you are not the student's Case Manager until after the student is placed in a special education program

Direct Service Staff –

- Your services must be prescribed on the student's plan of care as direct or direct/consult in order to bill Medicaid
- "Push-in" group therapy or therapy provided in the classroom is only billable when:
 - There is a separation from an ongoing classroom lesson
 - Student (s) are focused on you, not the teacher
 - Have a small group in the back of a classroom, hallway, etc.

Personal Care Aides –

- Do not bill for days that the student is absent
- Do not bill for days that YOU are absent
- Make sure your Monthly Service Logs are signed and dated by the designated person in your district/school (i.e. classroom teacher or Social Worker)
- Do bill for a service that matches the student's Personal Care Authorization form



Ask Medicaid Man



Dear Medicaid Man,

I am a fully licensed speech-language pathologist, yet the only code I can bill in Service Tracker is the designated case management code (T2023). Am I doing something wrong?

~ Confused

Dear Confused,

It's not you, it sounds like your practitioner certification code is set up incorrectly. Each practitioner is assigned a specific code that tells Service Tracker which procedure codes you can bill for. When you go to bill, check and make sure your practitioner code is correct. It should have a three-digit number starting with 1 and your practitioner type. For example, 111- Speech, fully licensed. If it's not, contact your SE department or our office.

NURSES -Did You Know?



Nursing services are available to **ALL** Medicaid-eligible students when deemed medically necessary. Nursing services include but are not limited to, medically necessary screening, treatment, and other services to correct or ameliorate a behavioral health or medical conditions (i.e. catheterizations, tracheotomy maintenance, medication administration, tube feeding, etc.) and also include care coordination.

These services require a written order by the student's physician, physician's assistant, or nurse practitioner and must be updated annually.

The physician's order should include:

- Student's name, date of birth, attending district
- Prescribing practitioner's written name, address, and phone number
- Date the order was signed
- Diagnosis, duration, and frequency of services
- Prescribing practitioner's signature
- Prescribing practitioner's NPI#

• **Please email or fax the physician's orders for nursing services to Wayne RESA's Medicaid office**

• **Check with your district's Special Education office for more information on your district's process**



We're here to help!

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