

Dear Parent/Guardian - Please give consent for our district health professionals to bill Medicaid when they provide services to your child. This will not impact your Medicaid benefits at all and will help us provide necessary services to your child.



Consent for Treatment, Release of Information, and Reimbursement for Professional Medical Services

I consent for *Kershaw County School District* to:

- provide professional medical services to my child;
- release and exchange the following information from my child's record to the Department of Health and Human Services (Medicaid Agency) for the purpose of billing for the professional medical services (nursing, behavioral, psychological, other physical and occupational health services and speech and other language services) provided to my child – information about the service provided, my child's name, date of birth, Medicaid or health insurance number, gender, and my contact information;
- bill the Medicaid Agency for the professional medical services; and
- receive payment from the Medicaid Agency for the professional medical services that the District provides to my child.

I understand that:

- Medicaid reimbursement for professional medical services provided by the District will not affect any other Medicaid services for which my child is eligible.
- The District will continue to provide required professional medical services for my child at no cost to me even if I refuse to allow billing for services.
- Granting consent is voluntary on my part and may be revoked at any time. If I later revoke consent, that revocation is not retroactive (i.e., it does not negate an action that has occurred after the consent was given and before the consent was revoked).
- The District will operate under the guidelines of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) to ensure confidentiality regarding my child's treatment and provision of professional medical services.

Medicaid & Private Third-Party Insurer General Consent

The Kershaw County School District (District) and the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) have my permission to provide services to my child and release and exchange medical, psychological, and other personally-identifiable confidential information, as necessary, to the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) and any applicable third-party insurer regarding billable services provided to my child. I understand the purpose of this consent is to bill Medicaid and/or private third-party insurer for services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

By signing this form, I give the District and the SCDE my permission to bill and receive payment from Medicaid and any third-party insurer for diagnostic and psychological evaluation services, behavioral health services, nursing services, and other health-related screenings and treatment services billable to Medicaid or a third-party insurer with or without the requirement of an individualized education program (IEP). The District provided me written notification consistent with the IDEA regulation at 34 C.F.R. §§ 300.154(d)(2)(v) and 300.503(c), prior to my signing this consent to release information to bill Medicaid or any third-party insurer and prior to accessing Medicaid or my child's third-party insurance benefits.

I further understand that the District must provide me annual written notification of my rights relative to Medicaid or any third-party insurer accessing my child's information and before the District and the SCDE access my benefits to pay for services under the IDEA. This consent for release of information to bill Medicaid and any third-party insurer is a one-time consent and is not required annually thereafter, unless there is a change in the type or amount of services to be provided to my child or a change in the cost of the services to be charged to Medicaid or a third-party insurer. I understand that Medicaid and third-party insurance reimbursement for billable services provided by the District and the SCDE will not affect any other Medicaid services or insurance benefits for which my child is eligible. I understand that my child will receive the services listed in the IEP regardless of whether my child is covered by public or private insurance programs and regardless of whether I provide consent to access those benefits. I understand that my refusal to consent to the SCDHHS or any third-party insurer accessing my child's personally-identifiable information does not relieve the District of its responsibility to ensure that all required services in my child's IEP are provided at no cost to me.

I understand that this consent is voluntary on my part and may be revoked at anytime. If I later revoke consent, the revocation is not retroactive (i.e., it does not negate an action that occurred after the consent was given and before the consent was revoked).

I also understand that the District and the SCDE will operate under the guidelines of the IDEA and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) to ensure confidentiality regarding my child's treatment and provision of services.