



Upper Lake Unified School District
Lake County Office of Education
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CONSENT TO BILL CALIFORNIA MEDI-CAL AND CONSENT TO RELEASE OR EXCHANGE INFORMATION FOR HEALTH-RELATED SPECIAL EDUCATION AND RELATED SERVICES

Through the Medi-Cal Local Educational Agency Billing Option (LEA BOP), this LEA may submit claims to California Medi-Cal for covered services provided to Medi-Cal eligible children. The Medi-Cal LEA BOP program is a way for school districts and/or County Offices of Education (COE) to receive federal funds to help pay the costs of special education, health, and other related services for their children. This will **NOT** affect your current medical coverage.

What you need to know:

- You may refuse to sign this consent form.
- Information about your child and family is strictly confidential.
- Your rights are preserved under Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulation 300.154; Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, Title 20 of the United States Code, Section 1232 (g), Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Section 99.
- This consent is valid for **one year and must be updated annually** unless you withdraw your consent before that time.
- The notice must be written in a language understandable to the general public and in the native language of the parents or other means of communication used by the parents unless it cannot be made clear.

Your consent is voluntary and may be revoked at any time. If you revoke consent, the revocation is not retroactive (i.e.; it does not cancel any billing that occurred after the consent was given and before it was revoked). Your consent **will not** result in the denial or limitation of community services provided outside of school. If you decline consent for the school district and/or the COE to access California Medi-Cal to pay for special education and/or health-related services, the school district and/or the COE must still ensure that all special education and/or health-related services continue to be provided at no cost to you.

In addition, as a public agency, the LEA may access the parent's public benefits or insurance to pay for related services required under Part B of IDEA for a free appropriate public education (FAPE). For related services required to provide FAPE to an eligible student, the LEA:

- **May not** require parents to register or enroll in public benefits or insurance programs (Medi-Cal) in order for their child to receive FAPE under Part B of IDEA (34 CFR 300.154[d][2][i]).
- **May not** require parents to incur an out-of-pocket expense, such as payment of the deductible or co-pay amount incurred when submitting a claim for services and reimbursement through Medi-Cal (34 CFR 300.154[d][2][ii]).

- **May not** use the student's benefits under Medi-Cal if that use:
 1. Decrease available lifetime coverage or any other insured benefits.
 2. Have the family pay for services that would otherwise be covered by the public benefits or insurance program (Medi-Cal) and that are required for the child outside of school hours.
 3. Increase premiums or lead to discontinuation of public benefits or insurance (Medi-Cal).
 4. Risk of loss of eligibility for home and community-based exemptions, based on aggregate health-related expenses (34 CFR 300.154 [d] [2] [iii] [A-D]).

I authorize Upper Lake Unified School District/Lake County Office of Education (LEA) to release to Medi-Cal Billing Systems, Inc. (MBS, Inc.) the following information:

My child's name: _____

Date of Birth: _____, Gender: _____

as well as special education (i.e.; service(s) designated by the IEP, the type(s) and amount of services provided, your date(s) of service, and the name of the provider), health and other related services for your child.

This information may be disclosed for the sole purpose of processing claims to the Medi-Cal program for reimbursement of these services.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Medi-cal parent signature (July 2022 ULUSD)

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