

Questions Frequently Asked by Parents



What is the Medicaid / Denali KidCare Program?

The Medicaid/Denali KidCare program helps states to provide health benefits to children and families who qualify either through income or disability. Funding for special education services is available through Alaska's Medicaid program. With your consent, Alaska can bill the federal government for some services included in your child's IEP.

Will my consent to bill Medicaid affect the services my child is getting?

No. Your consent only allows the Medicaid program to reimburse your school district for your child's services required in the IEP.

Will the special education services my child receives in school be limited because we sign up for Medicaid?

No. Medicaid does not have limitations on the amount or kinds of services your child can receive from the school.

Will participating in the school program change my child's Medicaid coverage outside of the school setting?

No. Your child's benefits will not be affected by participating in this program.



Can my private insurance company also be billed for services provided by the school?

No. No one can bill your private insurance company without your approval. Also, private insurance companies do not cover services provided in schools.

Can the school bill Medicaid for my child's IEP services without my consent?

No. Parental consent is needed to bill Medicaid. If you choose not to give your consent, your child will continue to receive the same level of services required in the IEP. In making your decision, here are three important facts to consider:

- When you give your permission, all information about your child will be kept confidential.
- The funds the school receives will be used to provide additional programs for all students.
- Permitting your child's school to bill the Medicaid program will not affect any of the services your child is currently receiving either in school or out of school.