
One Time/Life Signed Parent Consent Fact Sheet

Ohio Medicaid School Program

WHAT IS THE MEDICAID PROGRAM AND WHAT DOES IT OFFER TO OHIO SCHOOL DISTRICT'S SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS?

- ✚ Medicaid is a federal and state government public health insurance program option that provides health insurance in every state, including Ohio, to millions of children and families who do not have another private insurance carrier.
- ✚ This health insurance program covers health/medical services received at hospitals, medical clinics, doctor's offices, and with most any other medical service provider, for most of the covered person's medical and health prevention services. **ADDITIONALLY, this public insurance program also covers health services delivered in public school districts by qualified health providers servicing children who require health/medical type services while in the school setting, as determined are necessary by the IEP team.**
- ✚ These health-related covered services are delivered in public school districts *during the school day* by licensed healthcare professionals including: nurses, speech therapists, physical and occupational therapists, school psychologists, counselors and social workers.

**The eligible Medicaid covered services in OHIO school districts include:

Occupational therapy	Physical Therapy
Speech/language therapy	School Psychology
Audiology services	Counselor and Social Work services (<i>only those listed as required on an IEP</i>)
Nursing services (<i>only those listed as required on an IEP</i>)	

- ✚ Since Ohio school districts have the opportunity to receive Federal Medicaid dollars through the Ohio Medicaid School Program (OMSP), **our school district is an enrolled and certified Ohio Medicaid Program Provider**, just like any other medical/healthcare provider you/your family receives health care from.
- ✚ *As an enrolled Ohio Medicaid service provider, eligible services our district professional staff deliver to students through an IEP plan can be covered/paid by the Medicaid program to the school district for providing that service to its students to assist in covering the costs for delivering these services.*
- ✚ If your child is **already covered** by Medicaid health insurance through Ohio Healthy Start, the Medicaid Assistance Program, Healthy Families, or the WIC Program, **this additional funding can be paid by the Ohio Medicaid Program now to YOUR CHILD'S School District for any of the above mentioned eligible services they receive at school.**

WHAT DO PARENTS HAVE TO DO TO ASSIST THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IN OBTAINING THESE MEDICAID DOLLARS FOR SERVICES DISTRICT STAFF HAVE PROVIDED TO YOUR CHILD(REN) THROUGH THEIR IEP PLAN?

- ✚ In the process of billing Ohio Medicaid for these necessary services, a very limited amount of billing information must be shared with the Ohio Department of Medicaid to permit the district to be paid for the services. **To do so, we must obtain a one-time/life signed Parental Consent to share the following NON-MEDICAL information on the billing file for payment:**

Your child's name, Medicaid recipient number, and birth date
Service **CODE** (numerical code that identifies the type of service(s) provided)
Service **TIME** spent with your child (number of minutes)

Information NOT released to bill Medicaid services:

- ✚ NO child's medical/health information is required or released through this Medicaid Program billing process.
- ✚ School Districts ARE NOT required to release any of the following information when billing the Medicaid Program: student social security numbers or any school related educational information on students.

IMPORTANT RIGHTS

- ✚ Your child's Medicaid benefits and limits are **NOT** reduced or affected in any way by the Ohio School Medicaid Program (per Ohio Administrative Code 5101:3-34-01.2).
- ✚ **Your children are not ever required to enroll in Ohio Medicaid for your child to receive special education services in this or any other Ohio Public School District.**
- ✚ **No matter whether you grant, refuse or revoke consent, your child will be provided with an evaluation and/or all the services listed in their IEP, AT NO COST to your family.**
- ✚ Your written consent is COMPLETELY voluntary.
- ✚ You have the right under Federal Medicaid Regulations (34 CFR Part 99 and Part 300) to withdraw your consent at any time.

On behalf of the Painesville City Local School District, we appreciate your consideration to support this Medicaid reimbursement program for our district. The funds received from the Ohio Medicaid Program for the District services provided to our students is critically necessary to provide extra support for our special education programs and services. The ability to participate in this program over the years had been a tremendous benefit to the district and especially the special education department and the students/families we serve!

Thank you!

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