

School Based Claiming

Overview

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Medical School

Services provided in a school setting to Medicaid members are eligible for federal reimbursement—a critical source of funding for local education agencies and states. These include medically necessary health services, administrative activities like coordinating care between families and providers, and benefits outreach.



ForHealth Consulting™ at UMass Chan Medical School's deep understanding of the intricacies of school based Medicaid can help states design reimbursement models to support the development, implementation, and ongoing administration phases of their initiatives. We have helped state and local governments secure more than \$250 million in federal Medicaid reimbursement annually, improving access to critical health and other related services to students and families.

Our clients include state Medicaid, state and local education, and public health agencies. Consider us a trusted partner to support your state in addressing the newly published federal guidance, "Delivering Service in School based Settings: A Comprehensive Guide to Medicaid Services and Administrative Claiming."¹ We can help states take advantage of these newly offered flexibilities and other administrative simplifications—ensuring access to necessary care and services to children while advancing educational goals.

HERE'S HOW WE CAN SUPPORT YOU:

Better Access

- **Regulatory Policy Review and Analysis:** We provide a customized breakdown of federal guidance specific to your state's school based services Medicaid reimbursement program and identify risks and/or opportunities.
- **Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Document Preparation and Liaison:** We manage all documentation requirements for CMS approval, from Medicaid state plan amendments to time study implementation guides, cost allocation plans, and other required documents. Our experts can support you in meetings with CMS to seek clarification and address concerns.

Better Knowledge

- **Reimbursement Program Design:** Our policy and program management experts ensure that states are fully compliant with federal guidelines, take full advantage of available reimbursement opportunities, and design programs tailored to local agencies.
- **Application Software and Tools:** Our solutions are integrated to gather and compile random moment time studies (RMTS) results, expenditures, and Medicaid eligibility statistics. These tools calculate claims or final cost settlements, maintaining program integrity and compliance with federal guidelines and cost allocation principles. Additionally, our healthcare data analysts are equipped to review and process claim submission reports to support inclusion on the CMS-64 form.

Better Performance

- **Training and Implementation Support:** We deliver live webinars, recorded videos, and written training materials targeted to time study participants, time study coordinators, billing agents, and school administrators, among others.
- **Random Moment Time Studies:** We implement and support this essential cost-based reimbursement program methodology for school based Medicaid reimbursement. Our experts collaborate with clients and stakeholders to ensure the RMTS design aligns with activities performed and approved plans and guides.
- **Medicaid Matching Application:** Our process is user-friendly and interactive, allowing education agencies to compare student rosters with Medicaid enrollment records to validate matches and secure accurate results to support cost allocation statistics.
- **Data-Driven Decisions:** We gather and analyze program data to facilitate goal prioritization and inform decision-making, as well as program trends and changes.

Why Choose ForHealth Consulting?

With over thirty years of experience successfully implementing School Based Services programs across the country, we have proven expertise in school based cost allocation methods and reimbursement strategies. Our partnerships with clients range from idea generation and design to revenue stream implementation and operation, with solutions customized to a state's unique needs.

A full review of your program and processes for local education agencies seeking Medicaid reimbursement can help you:

- Boost funding efficiency by taking advantage of every federal reimbursement available and investing appropriated funds for other priorities.
- Reduce administrative burdens to make it easier to encourage participation in the Medicaid program.
- Stay audit-ready by participating in a reimbursement program that is fully compliant with the new CMS guidance and minimizes the risk of audit issues..

With ForHealth Consulting, you gain more than a service provider; you acquire a trusted partner committed to your success. By streamlining processes, ensuring compliance, and maximizing federal funds, we help your state's educational authorities and administrators focus on what truly matters: **providing essential care and services to children while advancing educational goals.**

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¹ <https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/fact-sheets/delivering-service-school-based-settings-comprehensive-guide-medicaid-services-and-administrative>