OHCA SCHOOL-BASED IEP SERVICES

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DISCLAIMER

• This presentation is intended to serve as a reference guide. Policy is current as of November 2022

• A copy of the applicable policies and rules can be obtained from the OHCA website at https://oklahoma.gov/ohca/policies-and-rules/xpolicy.html.

• All providers are responsible for ensuring compliance with current state/federal Medicaid policies pertaining to the services rendered.
AGENDA

• School-Based Overview
  - Contracting
  - Billing and payment
  - IEP/plan of care
  - Evaluations
  - Covered services and eligible providers
  - Documentation

• Portals
• Resources
• Questions
SCHOOL-BASED OVERVIEW
CONTRACTING

• School providers must submit a completed contract to OHCA.
  - Renews every four years
  - Rendering providers (appendix A)

• School providers must notify OHCA of all subcontractors performing IEP related evaluations and services in the school setting prior to services being rendered.
BILLING

- SoonerCare contracted schools that are charged as the overseer of the student during the school day providing medically necessary services pursuant to the Individual Education Program (IEP).

- School based services pursuant to an IEP are sufficiently supported by the plan of care.

- Include TM modifier with place of service (03) and any other additional modifiers needed.
PAYMENT

• School-Based Fee-for-Service (fee schedule).

• State share for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 22/23.
  - July 1, 2022 through Sept. 30, 2022 = 20.49%
  - Oct. 1, 2022 through Dec. 31, 2022 = 21.44%

• Invoicing for state share will be sent to the OHCA contracted school every quarter and payable within 45 days of invoice.
IEP/PLAN OF CARE

• An IEP and all relevant supporting documentation serves as the plan of care

• Complete, signed and current IEP annually

• Only medically necessary services are billable to the Oklahoma Health Care Authority
IEP

• Documentation establishing sufficient notification to a member's parents and receipt of adequate, written consent from them, prior to accessing a member's or parent's public benefits or insurance for the first time, and annually thereafter, in accordance with IDEA regs 34 C.F.R. 300.154.

• Annual updated evaluation including script (order).

• Parent and providers’ signatures and credentials authenticated in IEP.
IEP

• The plan of care, the IEP and all relevant supporting documentation shall serve as the prior medical authorization
  - Exception: personal care services

• Occupational and speech therapists are recognized as Practitioners of the Healing Arts. They can provide the prescription (order).

• Physical therapy requires a dated prescription (order) from the member’s physician annually per ruling by Oklahoma Attorney General’s office
IEP

Must contain:

• Type

• Frequency

• Duration

• Place of service

• Measurable goals
EVALUATIONS

• Medical documentation that supports the diagnosis and need for evaluation.
• Practitioner of the healing arts/treating physician (order).
• Member’s strengths, needs and interests.
• Recommended interventions for identified needs (include outcomes and goals).
• Recommended units and frequency of services.
• Dated signature and credentials of professional completing the evaluation.
RE-EVALUATIONS

• Supporting documentation
• Date of re-evaluation
• Age of child
• Testing or retesting
• Prior and present level of delay
• Expected and anticipated outcome
• Measurable goals
• Specific planned interventions
• Signature and credentials of provide
COVERED SERVICES

- Therapy (physical, occupational, speech/language)
- Psychological testing
- Psychotherapy counseling
- Nursing
- Personal care (requires prior authorization)
- Hearing and vision
- Assistive technology
THERAPY SERVICES

• Eligible Providers
  - OK state licensed
  - OHCA contracted provider

• Speech language pathologist (SLP)
• SLP therapy assistants and clinical fellows (SLPA and CFY)
• Occupational therapist (OT)
• Occupational therapy assistants (OTA)
• Physical therapist (PT)
• Physical therapy assistants (PTA)
PSYCHOLOGICAL TESTING

• Eligible providers
  - OK state licensed psychologist
  - Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE)-certified school psychologist (must be employee of district)
  - OHCA contracted provider

• Testing includes both face-to-face time with patient, time interpreting test results and preparing report
PSYCHOTHERAPY SERVICES

• Eligible Providers
  - OK state licensed psychologist
  
  - OSDE-certified school psychologist (must be employed by district)
  
  - OK state licensed LPC, LCSW, LMFT, LBP
  
  - Must also have master’s degree and be under active supervision approved by licensing board
NURSING SERVICES

• Oklahoma licensed registered nurse (RN) or licensed practical nurse (LPN) (under RN supervision)
• Health encounter (assessment for developing nurse care plan)
• Nursing assessment — Acute episodic care
• Nursing services — Chronic conditions requiring nurse care plan (requires physicians orders)
• Vision screening
• Hearing screening (use of calibrated electronic equipment)
PERSONAL CARE SERVICES

Eligible providers
- OHCA contracted providers as a school-based paraprofessional.

- Registered paraprofessionals that have completed training approved or provided by OSDE, or personal care assistants, including RN’s or LPNs, who have completed on-the-job training specific to their duties.

- Tube feeding of any type may only be reimbursed if provided by a RN or LPN.

- Catheter insertion and catheter/ostomy care may only be reimbursed when done by a RN or LPN.
PERSONAL CARE SERVICES

• Examples of personal needs include, but are not limited to:
  - Toileting
  - Oral feeding
  - Positioning
  - Hygiene

• Supporting documentation

• Assessment/evaluation must identify specific diagnosis and the needs or interventions that are medically necessary

• Must be prior authorized by OHCA
DOCUMENTING SERVICES

• Overall, documentation should reflect the results or outcome.

• It paints a picture in words of the therapy session.

• Always report MM/DD/YY and record start/stop time of session.

• Signature of provider followed by credentials.
PROGRESS NOTES

• Child’s name and DOB

• Date of service (MM/DD/YY)

• Start and stop time of service

• Diagnosis

• Individual or group therapy
PROGRESS NOTES

• Demonstrate the relationship of service with the medical goals and objectives.

• What was worked on with the child.

• Participation level of child and response.

• Identify plans for next session or change in treatment.

• Must be legible and signed with credentials.
GROUP THERAPY

• No more than five members can be present during a group therapy session.

• Progress notes needs to be able to identify the participants for each group session.

• Rational that ties back to medically necessary goals must be documented.

• Service provider must sign progress notes.
COMPLIANCE DOCUMENTATION

• Records kept for six years
• Attendance records
• Copy of provider credentials
• Appropriate referrals/prescriptions
• Appropriate supporting medical assessments/evaluations
• Supporting treatment plan(s) IEP
• Provider’s progress notes of member’s session
OHCA PROVIDER PORTAL

• Real-time response

• Ability to print eligibility verification for student’s record

• Claims submission

• Track prior procedure codes filed and paid

• Prior authorization for personal care request
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• OHCA public website- [School Based Services Page](#)

• To submit an OHCA training request or for questions on school-based program policy, email [SoonerCareEducation@okhca.org](mailto:SoonerCareEducation@okhca.org)
CONTRACTING RESOURCES

• Provider Contracts
  - 800-522-0114, option 5
  - ProviderEnrollment@okhca.org

• SoonerCare Provider Helpline
  - 800-522-0114, option 2, 1 for password reset
QUESTIONS