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*A monthly circulation featuring updates, resources, and events regarding the New Hampshire Medicaid to Schools Program.*

## MTS News

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### Spring Site Visit Opportunity!

Site visits from the MTS Resource Center team are designed to discuss MTS implementation, identify successes, offer support, and identify resources. Participants will have the opportunity to guide discussion based on their school's needs and what they would like to discuss. These in-person visits will help to provide insight into ways to improve the program to better support staff and students.

Additionally, participants may indicate their interest in having Medicaid staff attend the site visits, depending on scheduling and availability. If you or your team is interested, *fill out this form*.

## Upcoming Events

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### **MTS Resource Center**

- Join the MTS Resource Center for our monthly Medicaid to Schools Collaborative meetings on the first Friday of each month from 9:00-10:30am. These meetings will be utilized to answer questions, hold a space for discussion and solutions, and provide training and presentations from subject matter experts.

### **Next MTS Collaborative Meeting: April 4, 9:00-10:30am**

To attend an upcoming Collaborative Meeting, please email [schoolmedicaid@jsi.com](mailto:schoolmedicaid@jsi.com).

### **Upcoming Webinars**

#### **CMS**

- **TODAY, March 20, 2025:** Unique Needs of Frontier/Remote/Rural Communities and LEAs in School-Based Health
- **May 8, 2025:** Children with Complex Health Care Needs (CCHCN) and Medicaid SBS
- *Click here for more information and to register for these webinars.*

#### **Medicaid Matters: Defending Health Care Access in NH**

- [March 26th, 2025, 12:00-1:00pm](#)
- [Click here to register.](#)

### Endowment for Health Annual Data Update

- [April 18th, 2025, 12:00-1:00pm](#)
- [Click here to register.](#)

## Upcoming Conferences

### 2025 Annual Edith E. Hammond NHAEOP Conference

- [May 7-9: North Conway Grand Hotel, 72 Common Court, North Conway, NH 03860](#)
- The NH Medicaid Resource Center will be presenting on the NH Medicaid to Schools program on May 9th!
- [Click here for more information and to register.](#)

# Resources

## 30 Day Review Template

Check out the NH *30 Day Review Template* created by the UNH Institute for Health Policy and Practice.

CHILD NAME _____ LIFE _____		SCHOOL YEAR _____ SERVICES NEEDED _____ CHALLENGES _____				
I will keep the appropriate records documenting that the supervision services have occurred (i.e. telephone logs, minutes of meetings, records of observations, trial and subsequent periods, logs to the caregiver with each student).						
Meeting Date	Type of Contact	Treatment plan and services to be delivered	Issues identified, if any, and actions to be taken	Date of next review session	Signature of supervising clinician	Date of Signature
	Face to face <input type="checkbox"/> Observation <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone call <input type="checkbox"/>				X	
	Face to face <input type="checkbox"/> Observation <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone call <input type="checkbox"/>				X	
	Face to face <input type="checkbox"/> Observation <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone call <input type="checkbox"/>				X	

## Documentation Checklist

The MTS Resource Center developed a *Documentation Checklist* to keep providers on track for documenting provided services.

## Audit Tracking Template

Check out the MTS Resource Center's customizable *Audit Tracking Template* to keep your documentation easily accessible in case of an audit.

Auditor Name:	
Auditor Contact Information:	
# of Students Included:	MM/DD/YY - MM/DD/YY
Date:	
Notes:	
Student Name	Status
EXAMPLE Jane Doe	In Progress
Student 1	
Student 2	
Student 3	
Student 4	
Student 5	
Student 6	
Student 7	
Student 8	
Student 9	
Student 10	
Student 11	
Student 12	
Student 13	
Student 14	
Student 15	
Student 16	
Student 17	
Student 18	
Student 19	
Student 20	

## How Medicaid Supports Student Success

As Congress contemplates changes to Medicaid financing, the decisions made on Capitol Hill could have a profound impact on children's health and school achievement. *This document* provides ways Medicaid can support healthy development and school success.

**NH MEDICAID TO SCHOOLS  
DOCUMENTATION CHECKLIST**



Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Enrolled school providers must maintain unique documentation in accordance with the [NH-HS-W-589 Adopted Rule](#) and the [Provider Manual II: Medicaid to Schools](#) as well as [HS-W-520](#) for the delivered services in each student's individual record. Required documentation includes:

- Plan of Care (IEP, 504, or other Care Plan):** To be eligible for reimbursement for covered services, a student needs to have a care plan, be less than 21 years of age, be a Medicaid recipient and be served by an LEA or SAU that is a NH Medicaid-enrolled school provider (HS-W 569.03(a)(i)).
  - A copy of the care plan with demonstrated medical necessity
  - If an IEP, evidence of implementation of the IEP as required by [Ed 1109.04\(b\)](#)
  - The name of the student, the medical assistance ID number, and documentation demonstrating receipt of each unit of the covered service
- Orders:** Orders must encompass the date of service in order for that service to be billed to Medicaid. If there is no date span, or the date span extends beyond one year, the orders are effective for one year from the date of the signature.
  - Description of medical condition to verify medical necessity
  - Describe the actual service needed
  - The date span or date of signature must be on the order
  - Date span must not exceed one year
  - Signed and dated by a physician, advanced practice registered nurse, physician assistant, or other licensed practitioner
- Credentials, including LEIE "checks"** ([Provider Manual II: Medicaid to Schools](#))
  - Screen all providers of covered services upon hire, prior to executing the contract, and monthly thereafter.
  - The documentation of the qualifications, names, and signatures of persons directing or supervising the individuals providing the covered services if direction or supervision is required under this part or applicable law, and the date of supervisory approval.
  - Copies of the appropriate service provider qualifications (copy of licensure or documentation of credentials)
- Parental Consent:** Provide written notification and obtain consent from parents to access Medicaid funding for medically-related services delivered in a school setting before billing the student's Medicaid. Signed consent forms should be part of the student's file.
  - Signed consent form



**How Medicaid Supports  
Student Success**



**Medicaid helps children reach their full potential**

Medicaid provides health coverage to almost half of America's children, giving them access to the care they need to show up for school ready to learn. Children covered by Medicaid are more likely to receive the preventive health care that keeps them in school, annual checkups that allow them to participate in sports, and treatment when they are sick or injured. All those benefits add up to stronger, healthier students — boosting both school achievement and economic prosperity as adults. In fact, [research](#) shows that students eligible for Medicaid are more likely to graduate from high school and complete college than students without access to health care. And a 2023 [Commonwealth Budget Office](#) analysis found that just one extra year of Medicaid coverage during childhood leads to higher earnings and better productivity as an adult, boosting the nation's economy.

**Medicaid helps get students off to a strong start**

Too often, children being bullied in the classroom suffer from undiagnosed health issues. Perhaps they need glasses to read the board. Or a toothache is making it hard to concentrate. Or an undiagnosed learning disorder like ADHD

is keeping them from achieving their full potential in school. Medicaid's robust [pediatric dental](#) database allows for early screening to identify these barriers to success and intervene early. That can bolster early education initiatives aimed at getting all children ready for kindergarten, as well as broader efforts to ensure every child masters reading by the end of third grade. [Data](#) shows that increases in Medicaid eligibility are linked to improvements in reading test scores in the 4th and 8th grades. [Another analysis](#) found a boost in children's reading scores when their parents became newly eligible for Medicaid coverage.

**Medicaid helps ensure students show up for school**

As school districts across the nation struggle to bring down absenteeism rates, Medicaid has an important role to play. Issues is not the No. 1 reason that students miss school, and too many absences contribute to weaker [academic](#) and [higher](#) [school](#) [costs](#). Beyond physical ailments, mental health challenges are keeping many students from showing up for school. When asked why they missed class, 16 percent of high school students cited anxiety, and another 12 percent listed sadness and depression, according to a fall 2023 [survey](#). Medicaid is supporting efforts to provide mental health support for these students.

**How Medicaid Cuts Will Harm Students and Schools**

A *new report* from the Healthy Students Campaign details results from a national survey of school district leaders on effects of potential Medicaid cuts in schools.



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Results of a Nationwide Survey of School District Leaders

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