

# Medicaid Claiming for School Services in Indiana

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# How May Schools Use Medicaid \$?

#### Most Federal Funding Sources:

- ✓ Fixed allocation/finite amount
- ✓ Limitations on funds use

#### Federal Medicaid Funds:

- ✓ Available for covered costs
- ✓ Unrestricted use

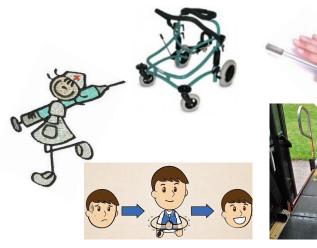












## Indiana's Unique Approach

### Two Different Claiming Options:

In State Fiscal Year 2018 –

→ 173 districts claimed \$17,388,854 for IEP-required medical services

In Federal Fiscal Year 2018 –

→ 164 districts claimed \$8,005,745 for administrative activities to support students with medical needs ("IndianaMAC")

Medicaid Reimbursements per School Corporation Report at <a href="https://www.doe.in.gov/specialed/school-based-medicaid">https://www.doe.in.gov/specialed/school-based-medicaid</a>



## **Frequently Asked Questions**

- May a school district participate in both claiming options?
  - ✓ Yes; a school district may participate in one, both or neither.

- ➤ Isn't that "double dipping" to participate in both?
  - ✓ No; each reimbursement methodology pays for different things.



## 2 Different Reimbursement Methodologies

#### For Medicaid Administrative Claims:

The school district's <u>state/local costs</u> for performing MAC activities multiplied by the:

- quarterly IndianaMAC statewide time study results
- > % of Medicaid-enrolled students in the school district
- school district's Unrestricted Indirect Cost Rate (if applicable)

#### "Indiana**MAC**" quarterly claim amount examples –

- Large urban LEA with 63% Medicaid-eligible students \$325,278
- Small rural LEA with 14% Medicaid-eligible students \$2,580
- Urban charter with 73% Medicaid-eligible students \$6,528



# 2 Different Reimbursement Methodologies

#### For IEP-required Medical Services Claims:

- Fee-for-service rates per Medicaid Fee Schedule
- > Payments are *jointly-funded*: approx 66% federal/24% state \$
  - Any source (state or federal \$) can fund the service provider -

#### Medical Service Reimbursement Rate examples -

- Individual Speech Therapy Session with SLP \$57.88
- 15 min ABA Therapy with BCBA, BCaBA, BCBA-D \$15.47
- Telemedicine originating site facility fee \$21.86



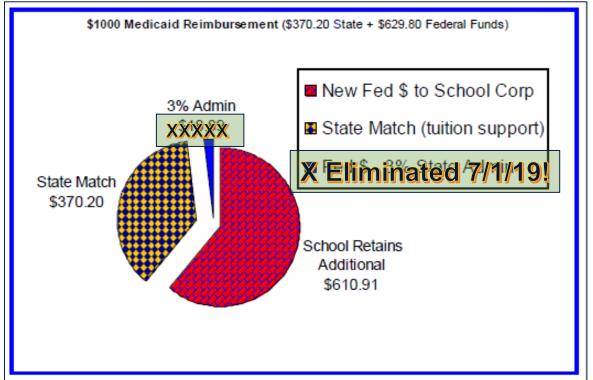
#### Jointly-funded Medical Service Reimbursements

To view the Office of School Finance step-by-step walk through of the Medicaid Adjustment process, enter this link in your web browser:

<a href="https://www.youtube.co">https://www.youtube.co</a>

<a href="mailto:m/watch?v=WMx1aMg">m/watch?v=WMx1aMg</a>

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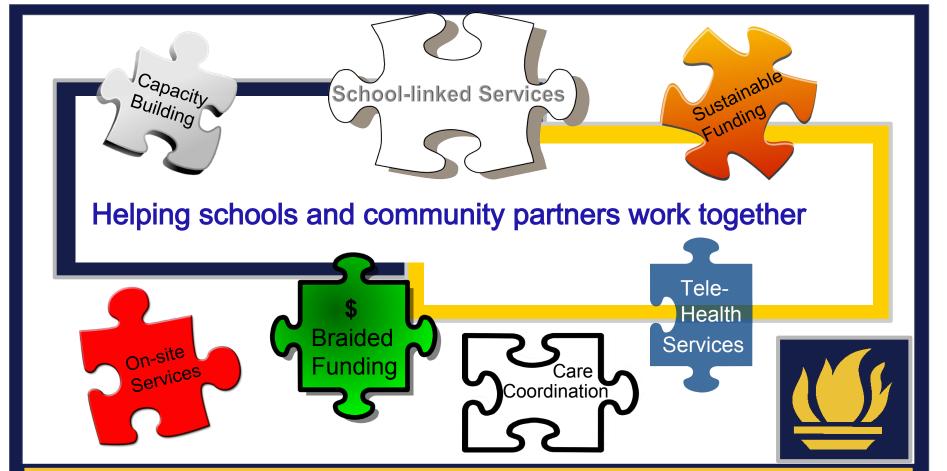


### Online Forms, Resources & Guidance

#### https://www.doe.in.gov/specialed/school-based-medicaid

- Medicaid Billing Tool Kit for IEP Services
- Indiana MAC Time Study Participant Manual
- Medicaid Billing Guidebook
- Parent Info Sheet: Why Are Schools Billing Medicaid?
- Medicaid Speech Coverage Policy Questions & Answers
- Indiana's Federal Medical Assistance Percentage Rates 2009-2019
- <u>Healthy Students Promising Futures</u>: State and Local Action Steps to Improve School-based Health





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### Contact an IDOE Medicaid Specialist

### **Questions?**

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