What is billable and what is not?

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What services are billable?

- Direct service: One-to-one: (OT/COTA, PT/LPTA, SLP/SLPA, AUD, RN/LPN)
  Direct treatment administered to an individual, when the individual is a Medicaid-eligible student eligible for special education, as defined by state or federal law and is being seen pursuant to the Medicaid-eligible student's individual family service plan (See Oregon administrative rules chapter 848); Services must be performed by medically qualified staff within the scope of practice and in accordance with their licensing board policy to provide medically necessary services to students for the purpose of meeting goals and objectives as listed in the IFSP.

- Consultation: (OT, PT, SLP, RN, AUD) Care coordination and integrating services, within the scope of practice, performed by medically qualified staff providing technical assistance to or conferring with, special education providers, physicians and families to assist them in providing a covered health service for Medicaid-eligible students related to a specific health service or set of goals and objectives as listed in the IFSP.

- Nursing and delegated health care: (RN/LPN) Coordinated care for other specified care management for a chronic medical condition that is not addressed on the current IEP or IFSP that will result in amending nursing services specified in the IEP or IFSP and requires an updated nursing plan of care. This may result in an increase in supervision, monitoring and training of DHC staff to provide new nursing tasks related to the change in condition. For example: a child with a seizure disorder that develops diabetes. Oversight of delegated health care aides performing delegated nursing services directly with the student as specified on the IEP or IFSP.

Individual services in a group setting (OT/COTA, PT/LPTA, SLP/SLPA)

- Delivery of Health Services to a child in a setting where group participation is encouraged or established. This is a model of service delivery where more than one student may be attending but not primary focus of provider visit. Treatment to individual student with Medicaid-covered services listed on IFSP is purpose
of visit and service log is then coded for one-to-one services

Group services (OT/COTA, PT/LPTA, SLP/SLPA)
- Delivery of Health Services in a group setting (more than one student) so as to provide treatment to all members of the group simultaneously

IFSP meetings (OT/COTA, PT/LPTA, SLP/SLPA, AUD, RN/LPN)
- Bill only length of time required to discuss goals, objectives and services considered medically necessary to support student in areas specific to discipline listed in the IFSP

What services are NOT Billable?

Service-related
- Services specifically for the support of sensory goals and/or objectives. If the service provided is considered scientifically acceptable method of therapy or treatment for the eligibility, it should be noted in the service log.
- Billing any services occurring on Saturday or Sunday (unless there is written direction from supervisor that services occurred on weekend)
- Any service provided for the sole purpose of supporting educational goals
- Service provided to students where ASD eligibility was determined solely by education team. In other words, an MD has not provided diagnosis via physician statement.

Screening services including early and periodic screening diagnostic and treatment (EPSDT)
- Services provided by staff in an education setting licensed solely by Teachers’ Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC). TSPC license is not sufficient qualifications to support reimbursement of Medicaid-covered health services provided in an education setting
- Design and/or fabrication of assistive devices

IFSP-related
- Eligibility meetings or any portion of eligibility meeting if it is combined with other services such as therapy consultation or IFSP meeting(s)
- Evaluations - not billable to Medicaid by Northwest Regional Education Service District. Evaluation time will be billed to the school district
- Review of documentation for the purpose of IFSP development
- Services provided that are listed on the IFSP for those dates of service when the IFSP has lapsed
- Services occurring prior to the start date of the IFSP or service start date on the cover page of IFSP
Due dates

- 10th of each month
  - All service logs (billing) must be entered into ecWeb.
  - Problems flagged in ecWeb will be sent out the last week of the month to providers. All problems must be resolved by the 10th of the following month.

Submitting information

You are required to send all information to TPB at Billingtickets@nwresd.k12.or.us. Please label the month and the word Medicaid in the subject line.