

Inasmuch as good physical and mental health is critical to student's ability to learn, the Governing Board believes that all students should have access to comprehensive health and social services. The Board desires to collaborate with local health, mental health and social service providers in order to offer integrated services at or near district schools.

The district may provide preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic and/or rehabilitative health services on an outpatient basis at school sites. The district shall serve as a Medi-Cal provider to the extent feasible and shall comply with all related legal requirements.

The following services may be provided by the district:

1. Health and mental health evaluation and education, including:
  - a. Nutritional assessment and non-classroom nutrition education (diet, feeding, laboratory values and growth).
  - b. Vision assessment consisting of examination of visual acuity at the far point conducted by the Snellen Test.
  - c. Hearing assessment consisting of testing for auditory impairment using at-risk criteria and appropriate screening techniques as defined in Title 17, Section 2951(c).
  - d. Developmental assessment consisting of review of developmental achievement in comparison with expected norms for age and background.
  - e. Assessment of psychosocial status consisting of appraisal of cognitive, emotional, social and behavioral functioning and self-concept through tests, interviews and behavioral evaluations.
  - f. Health education and guidance appropriate to age and health status, consisting of non-classroom health education and anticipatory guidance based on age and developmentally appropriate health education.
2. Physical therapy services as set out in Title 22, Section 51309(b).
3. Occupational therapy services as set out in Title 22, Section 51309(c).
4. Speech pathology services as defined in Title 22, Section 51096 and audiology services as defined in Title 22, Section 51098.
5. Psychology and counseling services consisting of diagnosis and psychological counseling of identified mental health, substance abuse, behavioral adjustment or social problems.
6. Preventive and medically necessary nursing services rendered at the school site, and services for accompanying the student off-campus for health services specified as medically necessary in the student's Individualized Education Program (IEP).

- 7. School health aide services consisting of the direct provision of specialized physical health care services at the school site, and services for accompanying the student off-campus for health services specified as medically necessary in the individual's IEP.
- 8. Medical transportation and associated mileage as described in Title 22, Section 51323(a) and 51360(b).
- 9. Other services which may not be funded by Medi-Cal.

Health care aides who provide specialized physical health care services pursuant to Education Code 49423.5 shall be under the supervision of a licensed physician and surgeon, a registered credentialed school nurse, or a certified public health nurse. All other individuals performing health and social services shall provide documented evidence of being licensed, certified, registered or otherwise credentialed to practice in California. They shall provide only those services which are within their appropriate scope of practice (Title 22, Sections 51190.3, 51270 and 51491).

Legal References:

Education Code

- 8800-8807 Healthy Start Support Services for Children
- 49423.5 Specialized Physical Health Care Services

Code of Regulations, Title 17

- 2951 Testing Standards

Code of Regulations, Title 22

- 51051 California Medical Assistance Program
- 51096 Speech Pathology Services
- 51098 Audiological Services
- 51190.1 Local Educational Agency Eligible Beneficiary
- 51190.2 Local Educational Agency Provider
- 51190.3 Local Educational Agency Practitioner
- 51190.4 Local Educational Agency Services
- 51190.5 Managed Care Plan
- 51270 Local Educational Agency Provider
- 51309 Scope and Duration of Benefits
- 51323 Medical Transportation Services
- 51360 Local Educational Agency Services
- 51491 Local Educational Agency Eligibility for Payment
- 51535.5 California Medical Assistance Program Health Care Services

Management Resources:  
LEA Medi-Cal Billing Option Program 2004

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References Revised November 2004  
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