SCHOOL-BASED SERVICES TERMS OF REIMBURSEMENT

Wisconsin Medicaid pays each Wisconsin local educational agency (LEA), including any school district, 60 percent of the federal Medicaid share (federal financial participation [FFP]) of allowable service and administrative costs the LEA incurs in providing certain medical school-based services (SBS) to Medicaid-eligible students who receive special education services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

Wisconsin Medicaid pays interim fee-for-service reimbursement for all covered SBS provided by LEAs certified by Wisconsin Medicaid as SBS providers to Wisconsin Medicaid members eligible on the date of service.

Each SBS provider is required to document the total allowable cost it has incurred for all SBS using a cost report developed by Wisconsin Medicaid. As required by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), SBS providers are required to certify these documented SBS costs by submitting an annual School-Based Services Cost Report. Cost reporting is necessary for the SBS provider to qualify for FFP provided by the state. To be eligible for FFP, the non-federal share of the total allowable cost must be non-federally funded by state aid and local taxes.

After the SBS provider submits the School-Based Services Cost Report form, Wisconsin Medicaid reconciles interim payment to cost by recovering overpayments or making additional payments, adjusting the interim payment to 60 percent of FFP for total allowable cost. Some LEAs may receive an increase in reconciliation funding and other LEAs may see a decrease. Total Medicaid payment reimbursement cannot exceed 60 percent of FFP for the total allowable cost for an individual SBS provider.

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