

# CONSENT AND NOTIFICATION

- Parents are required to sign two consent forms for all services provided. One form authorizes the schools to deliver these services, while the other grants permission for the school to submit claims for Medicaid reimbursement.

Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) 317:30-5-1020 requires parental consent to be documented:

- Parental consent is required for school-based Medicaid services to seek reimbursement from the student's health insurance plan and to share information between healthcare providers and educational agencies.
- The school district will provide a consent form, allowing the parent to make the choice to authorize Medicaid reimbursement for school-based Medicaid reimbursement.

## Parents should be reassured:

- *Giving consent does not reduce or affect the benefits of outside services through Medicaid.*
- *A parent can withdraw at any time, and their decision will not impact their child's entitlement to services under Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).*

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For more information:-  
[oklahoma.gov/ohca/provider-s/types/school-based-services.html](https://oklahoma.gov/ohca/provider-s/types/school-based-services.html)

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# OKLAHOMA SCHOOL-BASED MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAMS



# PARENT'S GUIDE

## What is the School-Based Medicaid Reimbursement?

- Federal law allows school districts to seek reimbursement for health services provided to Medicaid-eligible students with an IEP (Pub. L. No. 117-159, 136 Stat. 1342 (2022)).
- The types of services eligible for reimbursement are: *occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech therapy, nursing services, personal care services, etc.*
- School-based Medicaid reimbursement provides funding to support services already being delivered in the school setting; it is not intended for expanding or adding new services.



## Confidentiality

FERPA & HIPPA laws determine who can access student health information:

With the parent's consent, the Oklahoma Medicaid Agency can request access to view Medicaid related health records in the school setting. Only school personnel who have "legitimate educational interests" can access a student's health records in the school setting.

Parents can take comfort in knowing that their children receive essential services directly at school, without any extra out-of-pocket costs or impacts to Medicaid benefits or services. This access helps eliminate barriers to care, ensuring that students' needs are met promptly and efficiently. Our aim is to support students with disabilities while effectively optimizing our resources. By utilizing Medicaid reimbursement in line with IDEA, we enhance our schools' ability to provide comprehensive educational services.

