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Webinars

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Getting Started with Medicaid SBS *September 28, 2023*	**SMA** **SEA** **LEA**	▪ [Recording](#) ▪ [Slides](#) ▪ [Summary Handout](#)
Description and Objectives		
High-level overview regarding how states can start or promote their current work on expanding Medicaid School-Based Services (SBS), with recommendations for implementation of expansion action items and strategies. The presentation covered: ▪ Details regarding pre-implementation and expansion planning, including stakeholder identification, program goals (Medicaid and Individuals with Disabilities Education Act legal requirements), expectations, and evaluation process. ▪ Recommendations for level-setting to inform all key state stakeholders of the state's implementation or evolving plans for Medicaid SBS. ▪ Suggestions for meeting topics and considerations to outline the purpose of team meetings.		

Name and Date	Audience	Resource Links
Medicaid Coverable Services and Administrative Activities for Medicaid SBS *October 19, 2023*	**SMA** **SEA**	▪ [Recording](#) ▪ [Slides](#) ▪ [Summary Handout](#)
Description and Objectives		
Overview of direct and administrative services and the options for billing for Medicaid SBS, highlighting the new flexibilities related to billing and service provision. This presentation covered: ▪ Explained context in which decisions to enhance Medicaid SBS should be considered. ▪ Identified the types of direct and administrative services that can support Medicaid SBS. ▪ Described the components of a state's administrative and direct services claiming guide to help inform LEA billing.		

Name and Date	Audience	Resource Links
Understanding Rate Setting and Cost-Based Interim Payment Methodologies for Direct SBS *November 14, 2023*	**SMA** **SEA**	▪ [Recording](#) ▪ [Slides](#) ▪ [Summary Handout](#)
Description and Objectives		
Overview of payment methodologies for Medicaid SBS, including reviewing options for cost- and rate-based reimbursement and considerations in implementing payment methodology and rate setting. The webinar also included a panel discussion with speakers from Colorado's State Medicaid agency. This presentation covered: ▪ General process for paying for SBS through Medicaid ▪ Key considerations and action steps for developing payment methodologies ▪ Specific considerations for states using rate- or cost-based methodologies ▪ Best practices and lessons learned from states that have embarked on offering expanded SBS in addition to IEP services.		

Name and Date	Audience	Resource Links
Primer for LEAs on Medicaid SBS *January 25, 2024*	**LEA**	▪ [Recording](#) ▪ [Slides](#) ▪ [Summary Handout](#)

Description and Objectives

High-level overview for LEAs of the work that state agencies may engage in to expand Medicaid SBS, current policies, and relevant requirements of Medicaid and IDEA. Recommendations are offered for ways that LEAs can benefit from state support and advance the work to increase student access to Medicaid SBS.

The presentation covered:
- The basics of Medicaid including the federal/state Medicaid partnership including Medicaid state plans and ways that Medicaid supports children.
- The authority under Medicaid that allows school districts to obtain reimbursements for services under an IEP and CMS' expanded rule as well as the initiative regarding school-based services under the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act.
- The current requirements under IDEA and Medicaid for services to students with disabilities.
- Ways to engage in state work to provide access to Medicaid SBS to all Medicaid-enrolled students.
- Resources and solutions to support and promote state Medicaid SBS expansion.

A panel from an LEA discussed how to promote understanding of LEA engagement:
- How other states have engaged in Medicaid SBS expansion.
- The typical ways LEAs can receive reimbursement for school-based services (both direct and administrative costs).

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Provider Billing for Mental Health Services within Medicaid SBS *April 25, 2024*	**SMA** **SEA**	▪ [Recording](#) ▪ [Slides](#)

Description and Objectives

Overview of Medicaid SBS provider considerations and best practices for Medicaid billing for Comprehensive School Mental Health. A panel discussion with Colorado, Michigan, and Minnesota speakers will highlight how SMAs and SEAs support LEA-level billing for mental health services.

Name and Date	Audience	Resource Links
Promoting Mental Health and Well-Being in Schools: An Action Guide for School and District Leaders *May 9, 2024*	**SMA** **SEA** **LEA**	▪ [Recording](#) ▪ [Slides](#) ▪ [Action Guide](#)

Description and Objectives

Introduction to the CDC's Mental Health Action Guide: Described the key strategies for promoting mental health and well-being in schools and considered promising practices and tools available to assist with the implementation of these strategies. A panel discussion with the presenter from CDC and a guest discussant from Connecticut who spoke about their efforts to support mental health practices in schools and the community.

Name and Date	Audience	Resource Links
The Intersection of Medicaid Managed Care and SBS *May 23, 2024*	**SMA**	- [Recording](#) - [Slides](#) - [Summary Handout](#)
Description and Objectives		
Explanation of how managed care plans can work with LEAs to ensure delivery of high-quality SBS, how these partnerships can benefit MCPs, LEAs, and SMAs, and the role of SMAs in promoting collaboration between MCPs and LEAs. A panel with state speakers who have embarked on this work discussed facilitators, barriers, and lessons learned.		

Virtual Meetings

Name and Date	Audience	Resource Links
Comprehensive School Mental Health Systems *November 15, 2023*	**SMA** **SEA** **LEA**	- [Recording](#) - [Slides](#) - [Summary Handout](#)
Description and Objectives		
Overview of comprehensive school mental health systems (CSMHSs), including best practices and key resources. The session also featured a panel of speakers from Massachusetts, who discussed their efforts to leverage Medicaid to support student mental health.		

Name and Date	Audience	Resource Links
Fostering Program Integrity – How SMAs Can Support LEAs with Compliance *February 15, 2024*	**SMA** **SEA**	- [Recording](#) - [Slides](#)
Description and Objectives		
Background information about key facets of program integrity and a framework for mitigating common risks for non-compliance. A panel of speakers from Michigan discussed key challenges and successes and offered ideas for how SMAs, SEAs, and LEAs can work together to support program integrity.		

Name and Date	Audience	Resource Links
Readiness Checklist Rollout *June 13, 2024*	**SMA** **SEA**	- [Recording](#) - [Slides](#)
Description and Objectives		
Introduction to the Readiness Checklist resource: how SMAs can use the checklist and how SMAs can work with SEAs and the TAC to complete the checklist, including a live demonstration.		

Job Aids and Resources

Name and Date	Audience	Resource Links
FAQs	**SMA** **SEA** **LEA**	FAQs
Description and Objectives		
Frequently asked questions to date received via webinars, virtual meetings, and technical assistance inquiries to the CMS Medicaid SBS Mailbox.		

Name and Date	Audience	Resource Links
Understanding Cost Pools Job Aid	**LEA**	Understanding Cost Pools Job Aid Resource
Description and Objectives		
High-level explanation of cost pools, examples of cost pools, and how an LEA would use them.		

Name and Date	Audience	Resource Links
How to Answer RMTS Moment Job Aid	**LEA**	How to Answer RMTS Job Aid Resource
Description and Objectives		
Explanation of the basic requirements of a time study, how school staff are notified of their participation, and best practices for answering a moment.		

Name and Date	Audience	Resource Links
Medicaid SBS Federal Documentation Requirements for Claims, Cost Reporting, and Time Studies for LEAs	**LEA**	Medicaid SBS Federal Documentation Requirements for LEAs Resource
Description and Objectives		
Outlines CMS and ED documentation requirements to help LEAs streamline documentation for medical service claims, cost reporting, and time studies, and comply with federal regulations during an audit.		

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Reimbursement for Specialized Transportation within Medicaid SBS	**SMA** **SEA** **LEA**	Reimbursement for Specialized Transportation within Medicaid SBS Resource
Description and Objectives		
Outlines the CMS policy for reimbursement of specialized school-based transportation and highlights policy expressed in previous guidance.		

Name and Date	Audience	Resource Links
Readiness Checklist	**SMA** **SEA**	Readiness Checklist Tool
Description and Objectives		
List of requirements for compliance that SMAs and SEAs must meet prior to June 2026, including preparing SPAs and associated materials.		

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Considerations for Developing a TSIP	**SMA** **SEA**	Considerations for Developing a Time Study Implementation Plan (TSIP) Resource
Description and Objectives		
Considerations for elements that should be included in a TSIP to initiate SBS claiming, including treatment of the summer period, creation of the participant list, and training of participants.		