

Parent/Guardian Notification to Share Information for Purposes of Billing Public Insurance and Consent to Bill Public Insurance

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Local Education Agencies (LEAs), such as school districts, are eligible to receive federal Medicaid reimbursement for medically necessary services provided to their special education students when the services meet the requirements of the state's Medicaid program and are provided in accordance with the students' IEPs.

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 (IDEA) and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) require schools to obtain written parental consent to share students' education and health-related records such as Evaluation Reports, IEPs, and direct services and to bill these services to Medicaid. We are requesting your permission to share this information with the Medicaid Agency (the Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services) and our Medicaid billing agent in order to submit a claim.

Please note:

- 1. No matter whether you grant consent or refuse to consent or revoke your consent, your child will still be provided with an evaluation and/or the services on his/her IEP, and you will not have to pay for those services.***
- 2. Your consent is voluntary. If you give consent, you will not incur any out-of-pocket expense, and there will not be any decrease in your child's available lifetime Medicaid coverage.***
- 3. If you give consent, you may revoke it in writing any time after it is given. Your revocation of consent will not negate (undo) an action that has occurred after consent was given and before the consent was revoked.***
- 4. The withdrawal of consent or refusal to provide consent to the district does not relieve the district of its responsibility to ensure that all evaluations and/or services on your child's IEP are provided at no cost to you.***

Upon request, you or your child may receive copies of your child's records that are disclosed as a result of this authorization.

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If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the district's Medicaid Coordinator, Susan Bollin from Weswurd, LLC, at (419) 346-9651.