



Medicaid Common Terms

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The following terms have specific meanings in the school setting.

Term	Description
Assistive Technology Device (ATD)	Per the <i>Individuals with Disabilities Education Act</i> (IDEA), Section 602, the term “assistive technology device” means any item, piece of equipment, or product system, whether acquired commercially, off the shelf, or modified or customized, that is used to increase, maintain, or improve functional capabilities of a child with a disability.
Assistive Technology Service	The term “assistive technology service” means any service that directly assists a child with a disability in the selection, acquisition, or use of an assistive technology device.
Certified Public Expenditure	A certified public expenditure is an expenditure of a governmental unit whose state share is supported by tax dollars, or a mix of tax dollars and appropriated dollars, and is certified as eligible for federal match.
Claims Development Software	The claims development software is a custom-developed software that automates the school district claiming process. The claims development process is comprised of three components: sampling, training, and costs/claim generation.
Direct Medical Services Program	Direct medical services, specialized transportation, targeted case management, and personal care services provided in the school setting and reimbursed by Medicaid.

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Durable Medical Equipment (DME), Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS)	DME items are those that can stand repeated use, are primarily and customarily used to serve a medical purpose, are not useful to a person in the absence of an illness or injury and can be used in the beneficiary’s home. DME is a covered benefit when specific criteria is met.
Enrolled Medicaid Provider	The districts that have enrolled and revalidated with the MDHHS CHAMPS Provider Enrollment subsystem. This currently includes the 56 Michigan intermediate school districts, Detroit Public Schools, and the Michigan School for the Deaf.
HT Modifier (Multidisciplinary Team)	The HT modifier is used when billing for an assessment, evaluation, or test performed for the IDEA assessment. Each qualified staff bills using the appropriate procedure code followed by the HT modifier (multidisciplinary team).
Individualized Education Program (IEP)	A written plan for services for eligible students between the ages of 3 and 26 in Michigan as determined by the federal IDEA statute and state law. Medicaid funds are available to reimburse for health and medical services that are a part of a student’s IEP for beneficiaries up to the age of 21.
Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP)	A written plan for a child with a disability who is between the ages of zero and three years that is developed jointly by the family and appropriate qualified personnel. The IFSP is based on multidisciplinary evaluation and assessment of a child’s unique strengths and needs as well as a family-directed assessment of the priorities, resources, and concerns. Medicaid funds are available to reimburse for health and medical services that are a part of a child’s IFSP.

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Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)	The federal statute, IDEA of 1990 as amended in 2004, which requires public schools to determine whether a child has a disability, develop a plan that details the education and support services that the student will receive, provide the services, and evaluate the plan at least annually. There may be federal funding available for some of these responsibilities.
IDEA Assessment	An IDEA assessment is a formal evaluation that includes assessments, evaluations, tests, and all related activities performed to determine if an individual is eligible under provisions of the IDEA of 1990 as amended in 2004, and are related to the evaluation and functioning of the individual.
Intermediate School District (ISD)	A corporate body established by statute in the <i>Michigan Revised School Code</i> (PA 451 of 1976) that is regulated by an intermediate school board. Michigan has 56 intermediate school districts.
Michigan Department of Education (MDE)	A department within the State of Michigan.
Random Moment Time Study	A random moment sampling to determine the extent to which Medicaid-reimbursable activities are being performed by capturing what is done during a specific moment in time.
School-Based Services	A program which provides medically necessary Medicaid covered services in the school setting. All Michigan ISDs, Detroit Public Schools, and the Michigan School for the Deaf participate.
School Clinical Record	All the written or electronic information that has been created and is necessary to fully disclose and document the services requested for reimbursement.

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Special Education Transportation	Transport to and from the student’s pick-up and drop-off site where school-based services are provided.
TL Modifier (Review of Existing Evaluation Data, REED)	The TL modifier is used with the appropriate procedure codes to identify when a review of existing evaluation data (REED) was used in the determination of the child's eligibility for special education services.
TM Modifier (individualized education program (IEP), individualized family service plan (IFSP))	The TM modifier is used when billing for the multidisciplinary team assessment for the development, review, and revision of an IEP/IFSP treatment plan. Each qualified staff bills for this assessment using the appropriate procedure code with the TM modifier (individualized education program).
Treatment Plan	If an evaluation indicates that Medicaid-covered services are required, the qualified staff must develop and maintain a treatment plan for the student. The student’s IEP/IFSP form may suffice as the treatment plan as long as the IEP/IFSP contains the required components described in Medicaid policy.