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# **New York State Medicaid Preschool and School Supportive Health Services Program (SSHSP)**

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# NY SSHSP Policy Updates

# Medicaid Alert 18-03 Encounter-based Rate Changes for School Supportive Health Services Program

- SSHSP encounter-based rates were benchmarked at 75% of the 2010 Mid-Hudson region Medicare rates.
- In 2017, the Department of Health received approval from CMS to increase most of the SSHSP rates to 100% of the 2017 Mid-Hudson region Medicare rates.
- This did not apply to special transportation and skilled nursing services.
- Claims for services rendered on and after July 1, 2017 were automatically reprocessed by eMedNY. The payments were released on or about 8/1/18.

# Medicaid Alert 18-04 Certified Public Expenditure (CPE) Claims Submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

- The New York State Department of Health (DOH) submitted certified public expenditure (CPE) claims to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for the Preschool/School Supportive Health Services Program (SSHSP)
- These settlements represent the Medicaid allowable costs incurred by school districts and counties providing SSHSP services during the school years:
  - 2013-14 (July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014)
  - 2014-15 (July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015)
  - 2015-16 (July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016)

# Medicaid Alert 18-04 Certified Public Expenditure (CPE) Claims Submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

- CPE settlements
  - \$25.3 million for 2013-14
  - \$24 million for 2014-15
  - \$31 million for 2015-16
- **CPE Claim Distribution/Gainsharing**
  - Sections 368-d (6) and 368-e (5) of the NY Social Services Law provide for distribution to SSHSP providers CPE cost settlement amounts in excess of \$150 million. This threshold was not met; therefore, no distributions will be made for CPE cost settlements during the 2013-14 (April 1, 2013 – March 31, 2014) and 2014-15 (April 1, 2014 – March 31, 2015) state fiscal years.

# Medicaid Alert 18-04 Certified Public Expenditure (CPE) Claims Submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

## CPE Claim Distribution/Gainsharing

- The same sections of law further provide that starting with the 2015-16 (April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2016) state fiscal year, SSHSP providers will share 13.05% of the net CPE cost settlement.
- This period includes the final quarter of the 2014-15 school year CPE cost settlement and the entire 2015-16 school year CPE cost settlement.
- CPE cost settlement will be distributed to school districts and counties in proportion to their positive settlement. The State Department of Health is currently working on processing the distribution of funds.

# Medicaid Alert 18-06 Random Moment Time Study (RMTS) to Resume 10/1/18

- The RMTS was suspended on a temporary basis for the July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018 school year.
- On October 1, 2018 the Random Moment Time Study (RMTS) process resumed.
- Currently all RMTS Coordinator contact information, staff pool list and calendars should be updated and certified quarterly.
- PCG conducted RMTS training via Webex prior to September 17, 2018, training materials online at [2018 CPE Training Materials Download](#).



# Medicaid Alert 19-01 Department of Health Client Identification Number (CIN) Matching Project Implementation

- eMedNY eligibility inquiry system has been modified for SSHSP enrolled billing providers.
- Effective January 25, 2019, an SSHSP provider may submit an eligibility inquiry for a student by using a two-digit county code, along with the student name, birth date and gender code.
- The eMedNY system response will include the student's Medicaid CIN when all demographic information exactly matches a single Medicaid member with coverage for the requested date of service.

# Medicaid Alert 19-01- Department of Health Client Identification Number Matching Project Implementation

- The Medicaid Eligibility Verification System (MEVS) Provider Manual has been updated and is available online at <https://www.emedny.org/ProviderManuals/AllProviders/supplemental.aspx>.
- In addition, a new ePACES reference sheet with instructions about access the new functionality has been posted online at [https://www.emedny.org/HIPAA/QuickRefDocs/ePaces\\_SSHSP\\_eligibility\\_request.pdf](https://www.emedny.org/HIPAA/QuickRefDocs/ePaces_SSHSP_eligibility_request.pdf).

## SSHSP Online Resources:

- SSHSP program memos, policies, and documents can be found on the Medicaid-in-Education webpage, online at:  
<http://www.oms.nysed.gov/medicaid/>
- The most recent SSHSP Program Updates can be accessed online at:  
[http://www.oms.nysed.gov/medicaid/news\\_announcements/](http://www.oms.nysed.gov/medicaid/news_announcements/)
- CPE program requirements for the SSHSP can be found on the Medicaid in Education website at:  
<http://www.oms.nysed.gov/medicaid/CPEs/home.html>

# SSHSP Resources: Public Consulting Group

- PCG offers ongoing technical support for the CPE cost reporting and settlement process to all school districts participating in SSHSP through a dedicated email account and hotline
- SSHSP Email: [NYSSHSP@pcgus.com](mailto:NYSSHSP@pcgus.com)
- Toll Free SSHSP Hotline: 1-866-912-2974

# Contact Information

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