The Nassau County School District



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Annual Parent Notification of Medicaid Billing

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Nassau County School District receives funding from the Medicaid Direct Service Claiming (MDSC) program for eligible services for students with an Individual Education Plan (IEP). This is a state-approved program that allows us to receive reimbursement from federal funds for providing health-related services to eligible children in our school system.

Examples of these health-related services may include Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Nursing Services, Psychological Services, Behavior Services, and Special Transportation. As a part of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) regulation 34.C.F.R.300.154, we are required to notify you of our participation.

Nassau County School District and the State Medicaid agency will determine if your child is eligible for the school-based Medicaid program. The MDSC program requires your written consent prior to billing for any eligible services and at any time billable services are revised. Your written consent indicates that you understand and agree that Nassau County School District will submit your child's information to the State Medicaid agency and their authorized agents to verify eligibility and submit claims for the MDSC program.

Parents are not required to sign up or enroll in Medicaid to receive IEP services or a free appropriate public education, nor are they responsible for any out of pocket expenses for these IEP services. Nassau County School District's access to these benefits are not allowed if they would have a negative impact on your public insurance resulting in a decrease of your benefits, increase in your premium, or risk/loss of eligibility for health-related expenditures.

Nassau County School District will provide the required services to your child at no cost to you whether or not you grant your written consent. We are required to notify you annually of our continued billing of provided services and remind you of your legal protections to withdraw your consent if you so choose. Nassau County School District's use of this reimbursement program does not in any way affect or impact other Medicaid benefits to which your child is entitled, including any otherwise eligible services outside of school.

If you have any questions, please contact Missy Olson at olsonme@nassau.k12.fl.us or call 904-491-9880.

Thank you,

Nassau County School District Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Department

Our mission is to develop each student as an inspired life-long learner and problem-solver with the strength of character to serve as a productive member of society.