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Agenda

1. SPA and SHS Policy Guide Update
2. SHA Resource Center Update
3. School Billing System/EHR Procurement Update
4. CMS School Health Services Grant Update
5. Closing

Next Scheduled SHA Steering Meeting – February 26, 2025



SPA and SHS Policy Guide Update



Proposed SPA and Timeline

- All SPA docs have been submitted for the January 28 [public hearing](#)
- State Plan Amendment (SPA) to Attachment 3.1-A, page 2 will allow **School Counselors, School Social Workers, and School Psychologists** holding a Department of Education endorsement to bill for allowable school health services that fall within their licensure and scope of practice.
- Anticipated effective date of **January 1, 2025**
- Process & Timeline for approval
 - State preparation and submission - includes SPA language, fiscal impact analysis, etc.
 - CMS review period - 90 days to approve the SPA or issue a Request for Additional Information (RAI) to DHCFP
 - State response - If RAI is issued, NV has 90 days to respond.
 - Final CMS decision - CMS has another 90 days to approve, RAI, or disapprove SPA



SHS Policy Guide Updates

- DHCFP is currently working on finalizing the MSM 2800 changes and updates to prepare for public hearing on February 25. Key updates include:
 - Modifying the chapter format to reflect its regulatory nature
 - Updating authorities
 - Covered services and documentation requirements combined into one section
- The corresponding SHS Guide is going through final edits and remediation. DHCFP anticipates the guide to be published by the end of the month.
- Once finalized, DHCFP will publish both resources to the SHA Resource Center website and include this information in the announcement to LEAs



SHA Resource Center New Website



School Health Access Resource Center



Get the School Health Services Guide

This guide helps Nevada LEAs join and manage the Medicaid School Health Services program, with steps for enrollment, billing, and compliance
PDF GUIDE COMING SOON



EPSDT

Early Periodic Screening, Diagnostic Treatment ensures Medicaid provides regular checkups and care for kids under 21, covering screenings, doctor visits, and necessary treatments even beyond standard coverage. Medicaid



Periodicity Schedule

The American Academy of Pediatrics Periodicity Schedule guides the delivery of age-appropriate care, aligning with Medicaid requirements to address routine and emergent health needs in students.



Get Help

For Training, outreach and questions,
email: SchoolHealthServices@DHCFP.nv.gov



Read the Policies



Behavioral Health



All School Health Resources



SHA Resource Center

New School Health Access Resource Center website includes

- Link to request program and policy training or information
- SHS Fee Schedule rates (PT-60)
- SHS Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter and links to referenced chapters (Mental Health Services, Dental, Telehealth, ABA, and more)
- Information on the EPSDT / Healthy Kids program information, flyers and fact sheets for providers and members
- Periodicity schedule of recommended pediatric screenings and assessments
- Information on the Children's Behavioral Health Transformation initiative
- Placeholder for SHS program guide (updates in progress)



SHA Resource Center

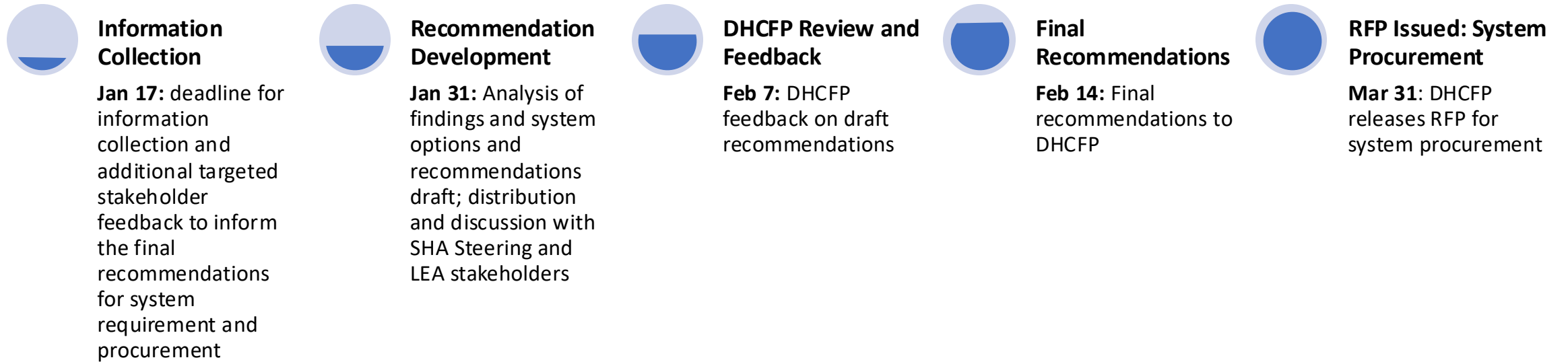
- LEA announcement of SHA Resource Center website is in production
 - To be announced once the SHS Guide is ready to publish
- Request for office hours and possible program training / peer-to-peer learning webinar topics to be collected
- Current topics collected include:
 - Plans of care for 504 and non-IEP service billing
 - Billing transportation
 - Strategies for supporting staff OPR enrollment
 - Understanding claims payment and denials



School Billing System / EHR Procurement



System Recommendations and RFP Timeline





Information Collection

- Over the past month, DHCFP has conducted additional targeted outreach to LEAs to inform recommendations for the state-option EHR / billing system
- 8 survey responses from participating and non-participating LEAs to collect more detailed information on current systems and documentation processes
- 7 informational interviews with 6 LEAs, representing a spectrum of size and resource capacity, current program participation status, and populations of focus



Information Collection

The following LEAs provided information on their current systems and processes via the email survey and/or 1:1 interviews:

- Clark County SD
- Douglas County SD
- Elko County SD
- Lincoln County SD
- Lyon County SD
- Mineral County SD
- Nye County SD
- Pershing County SD
- Pyramid Lake SD
- Storey County SD
- Washoe County SD



Findings

- Significant variance across LEAs in data management, Medicaid billing practices, and EHR usage is leading to administrative burdens and inconsistent Medicaid participation
- Challenges include:
 - inconsistent systems integration,
 - lack of standardized data collection and processes,
 - insufficient systems training and administrative support for LEAs and their practitioners



Findings

- Lack of standardized data collection processes underscores the need for a statewide approach to EHR integration, Medicaid billing, and data interoperability
- While LEAs express interest in enhanced system functionality, standardized Medicaid documentation, and cost-effective solutions, concerns remain regarding system rigidity, scalability, and documentation burden
- Addressing these challenges will be critical to ensuring broader participation and long-term sustainability



Next Steps

- Discussion with DHCFP leadership and development of initial system and procurement recommendations
- Presentation of recommendations and feedback from SHA Steering Committee at next scheduled meeting (February 26)
- Update to LEAs on status of procurement and recommendations in March 2025



CMS School Health Services (SHS) Expansion Grant

Q2 Submission Update and Discussion



Q2 Grant Reporting Requirements

The required CMS SHS expansion grant reporting for Q2, due in January 2025, includes a narrative progress report and an annual data report.*

Annual Narrative and Data Report Components	
Needs and Infrastructure Assessments	Rural, Tribal, and Remote Area Analysis
Stakeholder Input	Data Analysis Plans and Reporting
Sustainability Plans	CMS Technical Assistance Center (TAC) Participation
Expansion of Medicaid Services Beyond IEP/IFSP Plan	
Quarterly Progress Report	

*The complete CMS report requirement schedule is included in the Appendix for reference.



Data Reporting Update

Required Data Reporting Element	Status
Total Number of Students	Collection in progress (NDE)
Total Number of Students with IEPs	Collection in progress (NDE)
Number of Medicaid Enrolled Students, Total	Collection in progress (DHCFP OOA)
Number of CHIP-Enrolled Students, Total	Collection in progress (DHCFP OOA)
Number of Medicaid Services Received by Medicaid Enrollees, Nursing, Behavioral Health, Other Service Categories, and Specialized Transportation	Collection in progress (DHCFP OOA)
Number of CHIP Services Received by CHIP Enrollees, Nursing, Behavioral Health, Other Service Categories, and Specialized Transportation	Collection in progress (DHCFP OOA)
Number of Medicaid Enrolled Students, Medicaid-Enrolled Students with IEPs	Development needed -- data matching and reporting processes in development (DHCFP and NDE)
Number of Medicaid Enrolled Students, Medicaid-Enrolled Students with 504 Plans	Development needed
Number of Medicaid Enrolled Students, Other Medicaid-Enrolled Students	Development needed
Number of CHIP-Enrolled Students, CHIP-Enrolled Students with IEPs	Development needed
Number of CHIP-Enrolled Students, CHIP-Enrolled Students with 504 Plans	Development needed
Number of CHIP-Enrolled Students, Other CHIP-Enrolled Students	Development needed



Next Steps

- Annual Narrative and Data Report, Quarterly Progress Report, and Data Reporting and TAC templates are undergoing final edits
- Deliverables will be submitted to CMS on Thursday, January 30
- Discussions with NDE to identify process for data reporting on Medicaid and CHIP-enrolled students with IEP and 504 service plans will continue through February and March



Questions?



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Acronyms

SHA – School Health Access

DHCFP – Division of Health Care Financing & Policy

SHS – School Health Services

CMS – Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

LEA – Local Education Agency

EHR – Electronic Health Record

SPA – State Plan Amendment

TAC – Technical Assistance Center

IEP – Individualized Education Plan

504 Plan – plan to remove barriers to learning and ensure equal access

CHIP – Children’s Health Insurance Program

PT – Physical Therapy

OT – Occupational Therapy

EPSDT – Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment

FAQs – Frequently Asked Questions

SBS – School Based Services

RFP – Request for Proposal

TA – Technical Assistance

HSPF – Healthy Students Promising Futures

SPCSA – State Public Charter School Authority

SIS – Student Information System



Appendix



CMS Grant Reporting Schedules

Quarterly Report Schedule

Quarter	Reporting Period End Date	Quarterly Progress Report Due Date
Q1	September 30	October 31
Q2	December 31	January 31
Q3	March 31	April 30
Q4	June 30	July 31

Annual Narrative and Data Reporting Schedule

Reporting Year	Reporting Period End Date	Annual Narrative and Data Report Due Date
Year 1	December 31, 2024	January 30, 2025
Year 2	December 31, 2025	January 30, 2026
Year 3	December 31, 2026	January 30, 2027



CMS Grant Reporting Schedules

Annual Federal Financial Report (FFR) Schedule

Budget Period	Reporting Period End Date	FFR Due Date
Budget Period 1	June 30, 2025	September 28, 2025
Budget Period 2	June 30, 2026	September 28, 2026
Budget Period 3 (Final)	June 30, 2027	October 28, 2027

Final Report Schedule

Reporting Year	Reporting Period End Date	Annual Progress Report Due Date
Year 3, Final Report	June 30, 2027	October 28, 2027