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Agenda

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

Next Scheduled SHA Steering Meeting – TBD



SHA Resource Center



School Health Access Resource Center



Nevada Medicaid School Health Services Guide

This guide is a resource for Local Education Agencies (LEAs) in Nevada regarding the Medicaid School Health Services (SHS) program. The guide provides step-by-step instructions for enrolling as a Medicaid provider, billing for covered health services, and ensuring compliance with state and federal requirements. It supports schools in delivering medically necessary services to Medicaid-eligible students, including guidance on documentation, eligibility verification, and service limitations.

PDF GUIDE COMING SOON

This guide is reviewed and verified biannually by DHCFP staff. Please note that information may evolve or change between review cycles. If you identify any broken links or inaccuracies, kindly report them to:

schoolhealthservices@dhsfp.nv.gov



EPSDT / Healthy Kids Program

Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) is a Medicaid program that helps kids and teens under age 21 get the health care they need. The program provides regular checkups to find and address health issues early. EPSDT covers things like doctor visits, mental health care, dental checkups, vision and hearing tests.



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.



Contact Us for Training & Outreach

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

COMING SOON: Monthly Office Hours with Nevada Medicaid SHS Team



Policies Referenced in the SHS Guide

Find links to policy chapters mentioned in the SHS Guide here.

- [MSM 100 \(Medicaid Program\)](#)
- [MSM 400 \(Mental Health Services\)](#)
- [MSM 600 \(Physician Services\)](#)
- [MSM 1000 \(Dental\)](#)
- [MSM 1300 \(Durable Medical Equipment Disposable Supplies and Supplements\)](#)
- [MSM 1700 \(Therapy\)](#)
- [MSM 2000 \(Audiology Services\)](#)
- [MSM 2500 \(Case Management\)](#)
- [MSM 2800 \(School Health Services\)](#)
- [MSM 3400 \(Telehealth Services\)](#)
- [MSM 3700 \(Applied Behavior Analysis\)](#)



Children's Behavioral Health Transformation

The State of Nevada is undergoing a multi-year transformation of behavioral health care for youth. Nevada Medicaid, in collaboration with state, local and community partners, is developing new home and community-based services in addition to launching a health plan specifically for this population of youth.

[Visit the site and get involved](#)



Additional SHS Resources

- [Applied Behavioral Analysis](#)
- [CMS Technical Assistance Center \(TAC\)](#)
- [Dental Services](#)
- [Policy Evaluation](#)
- [Public Workshop Summary - 10/21/24](#)
- [Rates](#)
- [Stakeholder Engagement Summary - 10/10/24](#)
- [Transportation Services](#)
- [UNR Project ECHO School Based Program](#)



SHA Resource Center Future Developments

- LEA announcement of SHA Resource Center website is in production
 - To be announced on March 31st
- NV Medicaid SHS Office Hours
 - Beginning in April 2025; first Thursday of each month at 11:00 AM
 - Announcement coming this week
- Multidisciplinary Information Sessions hosted by SHS Team and NDE with various guests. Topics include:
 - POC Documentation, Non-IEP Billing, Understanding Claim Denials, Best Practice, Etc.
 - Beginning in August 2025, next academic school year
- Parent resources tab will be included for 'phase 3'
 - **What types of resources should we consider including?**



School Billing System / EHR Procurement



Summary of Information Collection and Findings

- DHC FP sent a survey to all LEAs and conducted informational interviews with 11 total LEAs.
- The information gathered, coupled with the findings of the Needs and Infrastructure Assessment, revealed:
 - Significant variance across LEAs in data management, Medicaid billing practices, and EHR usage.
 - Varied challenges, including a lack of standardized data collection, insufficient training, and inconsistent systems integration.
- The resulting system recommendations informed the RFP, discussed in detail on subsequent slides.



Overview of RFP

- LEAs and Steering Committee members had the opportunity to provide feedback on the draft RFP.
- DHCFP has incorporated much of that feedback into the final RFP.
- Based on the system recommendations and stakeholder feedback, the final RFP emphasizes the following requirements of prospective vendors:
 - Automation of and support for Medicaid billing and claims management.
 - Integration with Infinite Campus to eliminate redundant data entry.
 - Medicaid compliance support and provision of encounter chart templates.
 - Integration with Nevada WebIZ for immunization records.
 - Reporting and analytics, including the development of ad hoc reports and interactive dashboards.
 - *Note: This section was added in response to feedback received from LEAs and Steering Committee members.*
 - Training and technical assistance support for LEAs and relevant stakeholders.

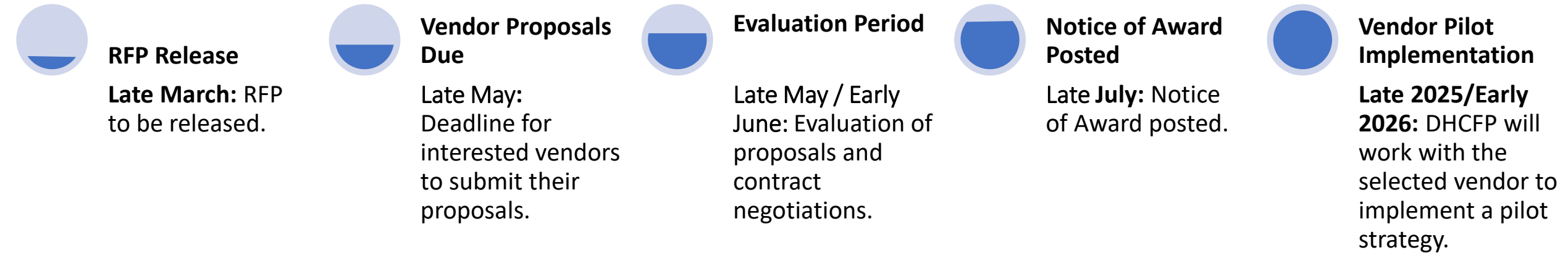


Overview of RFP (cont.)

- Additionally, DHCFP will evaluate prospective vendors' ability to meet the following recommended enhancements:
 - Bi-directional data exchange for coordination with community-based providers (e.g., PCPs, BH providers, FQHCs).
 - Medicaid managed care integration (where applicable).



Procurement Timeline





System Rollout and Pilot Strategy

- In recognition of varying capacity among LEAs and budget constraints, DHCFP intends to utilize a **pilot strategy** for the system rollout and implementation.
- The specifics of this pilot strategy are in development and will depend, in part, on the selected vendor.
- Broadly speaking, the pilot will:
 - Include a limited number of interested LEAs comprising Cohort 1.
 - Begin during the 2026-2027 school year.
 - Inform the phasing in of subsequent cohorts, as LEA interest and budget allow.



CMS School Health Services (SHS) Expansion Grant



Upcoming Reporting Schedule

- The next quarterly report (Q3) is due on April 30, 2025.
- The Year 2 Non-Competing Continuation Application for Budget Year 2 funding is also due on April 30, 2025.

Key Reporting 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	



Data Reporting Update

- The next annual data report is due January 30, 2026. DHCFP continues to collaborate with the Office of Analytics and Nevada Department of Education on the following elements:

Required Data Reporting Element	Status
Total Number of Students	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

*Currently, NDE captures IEP and 504 data as one number



SHS Program Evaluation



Program Evaluation Framework

- DHCFP is beginning to develop a program evaluation framework to measure the success of the SHS program, both under the CMS SBS Grant and beyond.
- **Level-setting questions to inform approach:**
 - What are we evaluating?
 - Why are we evaluating?
 - Who is our target audience for the evaluation findings?



Program Evaluation Framework (cont.)

Questions to inform evaluation design:

- What is the Nevada SHS program doing?
 - *Potential Measures:*
 - *Number of billed services,*
 - *number of students receiving billable services,*
 - *number of technical assistance activities/resources*
- How well is the Nevada SHS program doing?
 - *Potential Measures:*
 - *Percent of low-income students in participating schools,*
 - *number of participating LEAs*
- What is the impact of the NV SHS program?
 - *Potential Measures:*
 - *Youth health outcomes,*
 - *parent/student feedback*



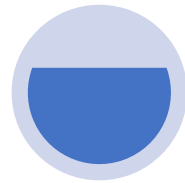
Second Annual School Survey

- The Second Annual School Survey seeks to collect both qualitative and quantitative information from LEAs concerning current billing practices, challenges, and opportunities for additional support from Nevada Medicaid.
- DHCFS intends to issue the survey on an annual basis, utilizing the same or similar questions to enable year-over-year analysis.



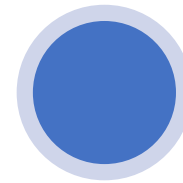
Survey Release

April 1: Survey will be issued to all LEAs.



Survey Close

April 30: LEAs to submit responses by this date.



Analysis of Results

May: Survey results will be aggregated, analyzed, and incorporated into program evaluation framework.



SPA and SHS Program Guide Update



Proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) and Timeline

- 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 provide covered school health services that fall within their licensure and scope of practice.
- Anticipated effective date of **January 1, 2025**

Process & Timeline for approval

1. State preparation and submission - includes SPA language, fiscal impact analysis, etc.
 - SPA submitted to CMS on February 3, 2025.
2. CMS review period - 90 days to approve the SPA or issue a Request for Additional Information (RAI) to DHCFP.
 - CMS requested clarification on the licensing for the above-named providers; DHCFP to update SPA page
3. State response - If RAI is issued, NV has 90 days to respond.
4. Final CMS decision - CMS has another 90 days to approve, RAI, or disapprove SPA.



SHS Program Guide Updates

- DHCFP held a Public Workshop on March 12 to review MSM 2800 policy updates.
- Key updates include:
 - Modifying the chapter format to reflect its regulatory nature
 - Updating authorities
 - Updating language based on new guidance for TPL, provider enrollment, services, etc.
- The corresponding SHS Program Guide is going through final edits and remediation.
- MSM 2800 is going to PH May, therefore the Guide will be posted with a disclaimer that the regulatory piece has not yet been published.
- Once finalized, DHCFP will publish both resources to the SHA Resource Center [website](#) and include this information in the announcement to LEAs.



Next Steps



Future SHA Steering Committee Meetings

Discussion Question: How often would the Steering Committee like to convene moving forward?

- Upcoming topics of discussion include findings of the second annual school survey and updates on the EHR/school billing system procurement.
 - Given the timelines for these items, discussion would occur in May or later.
- Potential Cadence: May; June and/or July; August and/or September.



Questions?



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Acronyms

SHA – School Health Access

DHCFP – Division of Health Care Financing & Policy

EHR – Electronic Health Record

CMS – Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

SHS – School Health Services

SPA – State Plan Amendment

TBD - To be determined

EPSDT – Early and Periodic Screening,
Diagnostic, and Treatment

MSM - Medicaid Service Manual

LEA – Local Education Agency

NV - Nevada

NDE - Nevada Department of Education

IEP – Individualized Education Plan

RFP – Request for Proposal

PCP - Primary Care Provider

BH - Behavioral Health

FQHC -Federally Qualified Health Center

OOA - Office of Analytics

SBS - School-Based Services

RAI - Request for Additional Information

PH - Public Hearing



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