

# School Health Access (SHA) Steering Committee

## Nevada Medicaid

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# Agenda

1. SHA Resource Center
2. Communications Strategy
3. CMS School Health Services (SHS) Grant
4. Policy Updates
5. Second Annual School Survey Results
6. SHS Program Evaluation
7. Closing

Next SHA Steering Committee Meeting – **September 24** at 8:30 a.m.



# SHA Resource Center Update



# SHA Resource Center

- Webpage can be found at <https://schoolhealth.nv.gov/>
- Recent Updates
  - NV Medicaid SHS Office Hours occur on the first Thursday of each month
  - Inaugural issue of the “Hall Pass to Health” quarterly newsletter was published on July 1
  - Addition of the “Family Resources” tab with links to relevant resources and departments
- Planned Updates
  - Monthly Multidisciplinary Information Sessions, co-hosted with NDE, will begin on August 19 with “Introduction to Medicaid in SHS”
  - Continued refinement of the “Family Resources” tab



# Communications Strategy



# Discussion

- **Challenge:** Inconsistent understanding of SHS across stakeholders in a given LEA/district (e.g., superintendents, principals, teachers, providers, etc.)
- **Discussion Questions:**
  - Where is the communication breakdown happening?
  - What new or different methods of communication might be more effective in creating a common understanding of the value of SHS? Are there existing venues NVHA should consider leveraging (e.g., district meetings, etc.)
  - What messaging would be most effective (e.g., centering Medicaid-covered SHS as a strategy to address behavioral health challenges)?
  - What practices have proven effective in garnering buy-in across stakeholders, even if they are not specific to SHS?



# CMS SHS Grant



# Reporting Updates

- NVHA received the Year 2 Notice of Award on July 1
  - Budget Period 2 extends from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026
- Q4 Progress Report is due to CMS by July 30th
- Budget Period 1 Annual Federal Financial Report is due September 28
- NVHA continues to meet regularly with CMS TAC





# Data Collection Efforts

- The next annual data report is due January 30, 2026
- NVHA continues to collaborate with the Office of Analytics and NDE
  - Data Sharing Agreement between NVHA and NDE is nearly executed

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, BH, Other, and Specialized Transportation	Collection in progress (DHCFP OOA)
Number of CHIP Services Received by CHIP Enrollees, Nursing, BH, Other, 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



# Policy Updates



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- The MSM SHS Chapter and Policy Guide have been finalized
- Development of a dedicated compliance policy is underway
- Crosswalk of allowable provider types under the approved SPA is in progress and will be distributed in early August



# Second Annual School Survey Results

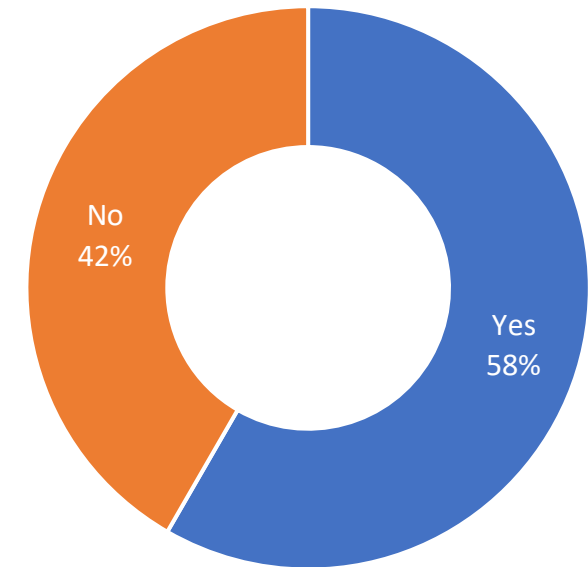


# Responses Overview

- Responses pertain to the 2024-2025 school year
- 24 respondents, representing 18 LEAs in Nevada
- 14 respondents said their LEA currently bills Nevada Medicaid for School Health Services\*\*

\*\* This includes multiple respondents from the same LEA

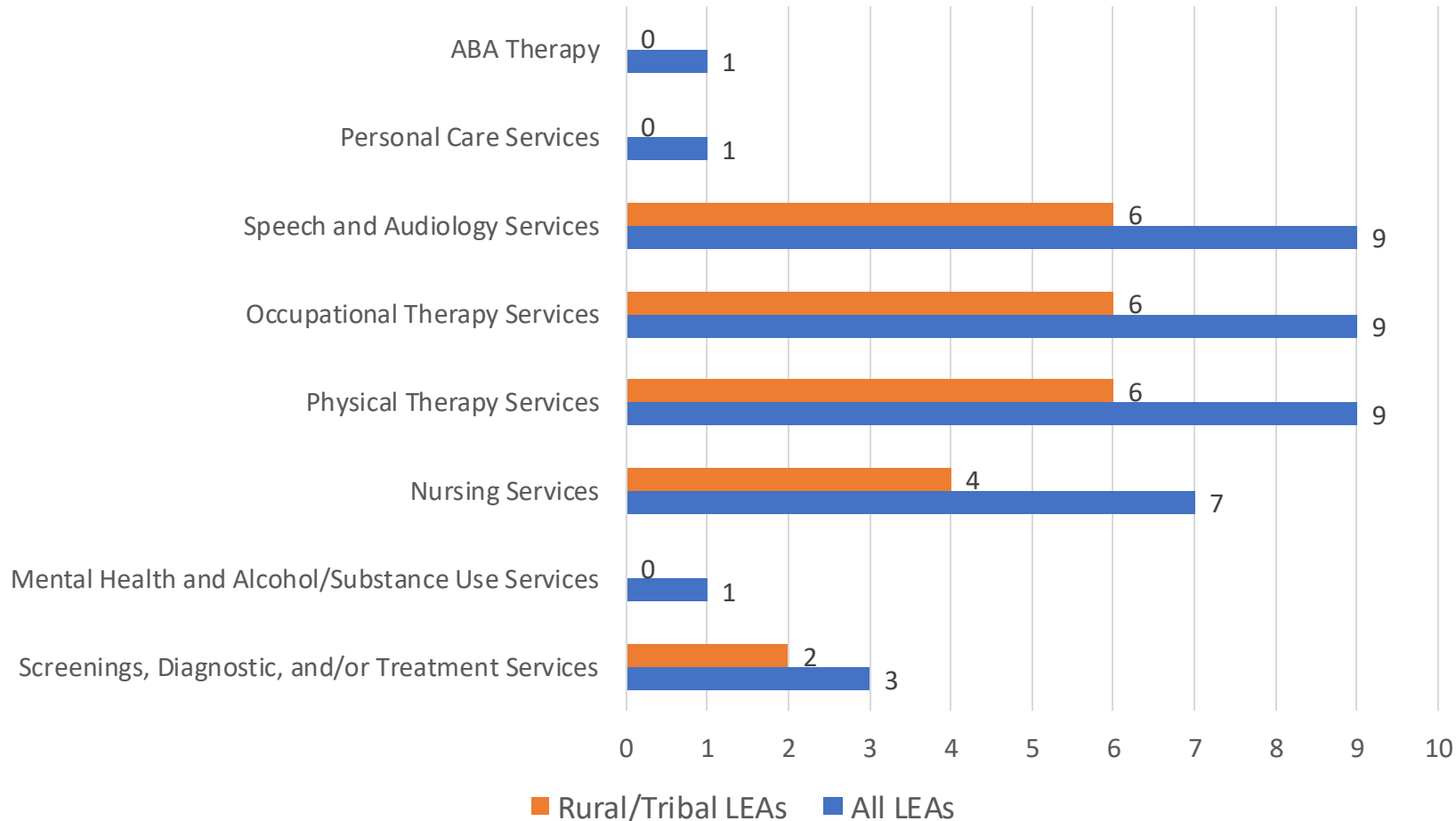
Does your LEA/School District currently bill Nevada Medicaid for School Health Services?





# Services Currently Billed

## Services LEAs/Districts Currently Bill



## Services Billed for Outside of IEPs

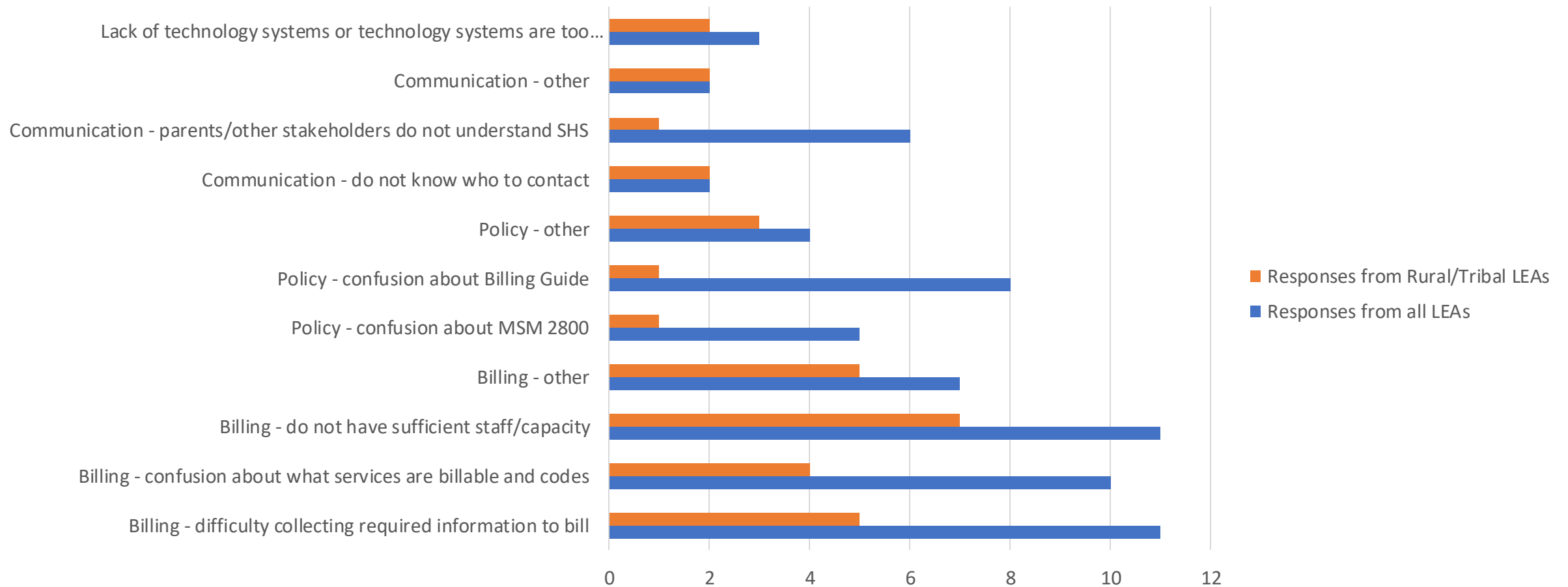
Service Description	LEAs
In process	3
Nursing services (including office visits)	2
Mental health services (including crisis intervention)	1
Screenings services (including vision/hearing)	2

\*\*Note: responses from the same LEA have been de-duplicated.



# Nevada Medicaid Challenges

**What challenges is your LEA/School District currently facing regarding Nevada Medicaid and SHS?**





# Nevada Medicaid Challenges Ranked

**Rank the challenges your LEA is facing based on greatest impact to least.**

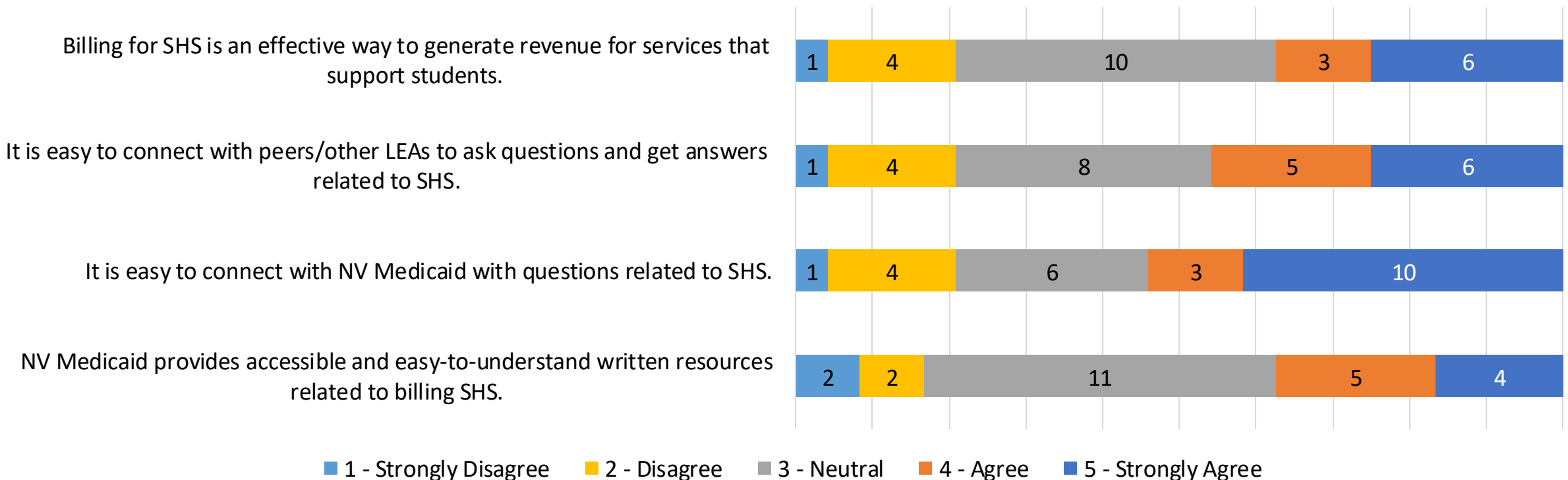
1. Billing - confusion about what services are billable and which codes to use
2. Billing - do not have sufficient staff/capacity
3. Billing - difficulty collecting required information to bill (e.g., documentation of service, POC, parental consent)
4. Policy - confusion about Billing Guide
5. Policy - confusion about MSM 2800
6. Communication - parents/other stakeholders do not understand SHS
7. Lack of technology or technology systems are too complicated
8. Communication - do not know who to contact at NV Medicaid for assistance





# Nevada Medicaid Experiences

**How would you rate your overall experience in billing Nevada Medicaid for School Health Services during the current school year? Please rate your agreement with the following statements.**





# Top Requested Resources

**What written resources would be most valuable for NV Medicaid to develop to support your LEA/School District related to SHS?**



## Clear, Aligned Billing Guidance

- Complete Medicaid billing guide, manual, and fee schedule
- List of billable services and codes by provider type
- Quick reference on billing limits & reimbursement



## Consent & Compliance Support

- Guidance on parental consent, HIPAA, FERPA, audit prep
- Sample consent forms and documentation checklists



## Templates & Best Practices

- Editable forms, service logs, and IEP-specific tools
- Examples of successful district practices



## Training & Technical Assistance

- Virtual walkthrough for all counties
- Guidance on integrating systems like Infinite Campus
- Simple “Getting Started” guide for schools (e.g., for nurses, ABA)



# Top Ideas for Technical Assistance

**If NV Medicaid could facilitate one type of technical assistance activity on a regular basis, what would it look like?**



## **Billing Code Support**

- Clear guidance on billable codes by provider type
- Quick-reference tools with limits, scope, and CPT codes
- Help navigating billing agent processes

Note: As a result of this feedback, a SMART Resource is in development



## **Ongoing Training & Problem Solving**

- Monthly Medicaid + NDE sessions to tackle common challenges
- Open office hours or coaching for district-specific questions



## **Improved Communication**

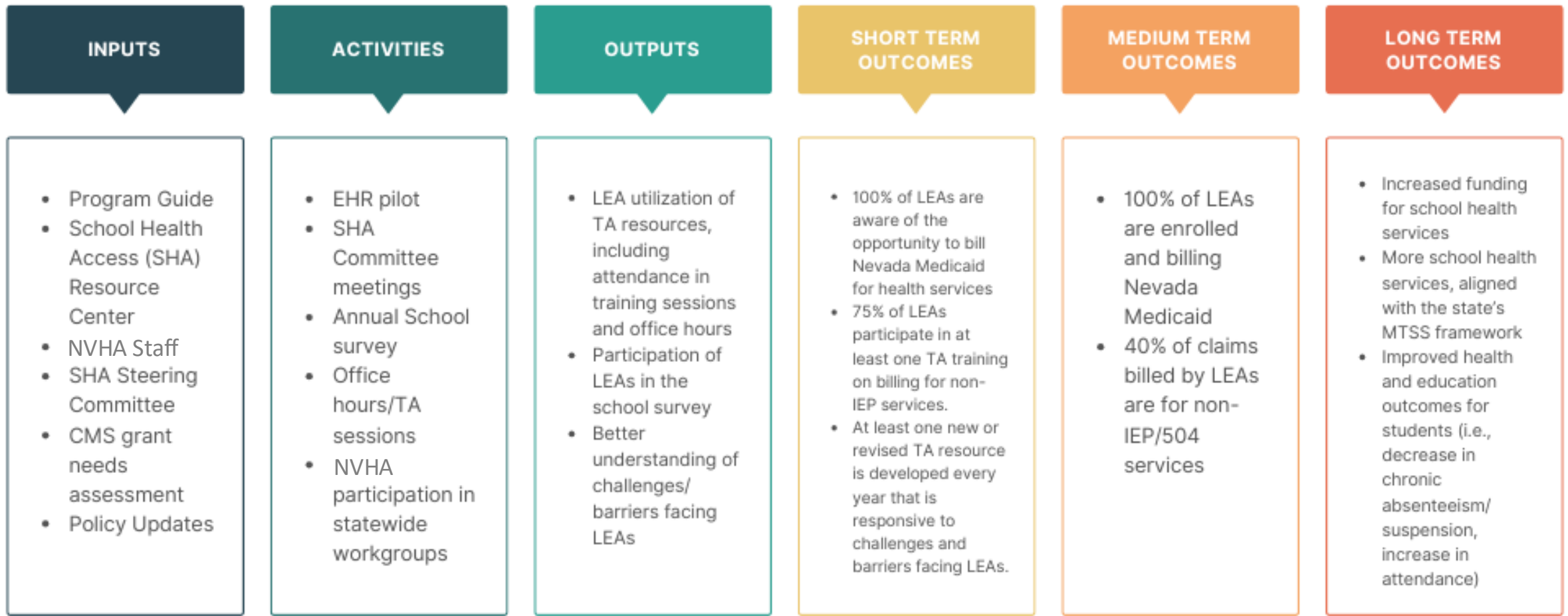
- Regular updates on billing changes
- Direct, consistent engagement from NV Medicaid



# SHS Program Evaluation



# Logic Model





# Program Evaluation Framework: Audiences

- In addition to internally reviewing the evaluation data among the NVHA SHS team, findings from the evaluation plan will be shared with the following external audiences:
  - Nevada LEAs
  - SHA Steering Committee
  - NDE and NVHA leadership and partners
  - UNR Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS) team
  - Legislators
  - CMS TAC (as appropriate)



# Program Evaluation Framework: Evaluation Questions

1. What is the Nevada Medicaid School Health Services (SHS) program doing to expand LEA participation in the program and increase access to SHS, including non-IEP services?
2. How effective is the Nevada Medicaid SHS program in expanding participation and increasing billing through the program, including for non-IEP services?
3. What is the impact on students of increased LEA participation and billing through the Nevada Medicaid SHS program?



# Program Evaluation Framework: Metrics

**Evaluation Question 1:** What is the Nevada Medicaid SHS program doing to expand LEA participation in the program and increase access to SHS?

Metric
Number of new technical assistance resources each year
Number of participants and unduplicated count of LEAs participating in TA activities
% of LEAs that participated in the annual school survey
# of in-person site visits at LEAs
LEAs' overall experience with billing Nevada Medicaid SHS





# Program Evaluation Framework: Metrics (continued)

**Evaluation Question 2:** How effective is the Nevada Medicaid SHS program in expanding participation and increasing billing through the program?

Metric
# of LEAs that are enrolled and <i>actively billing</i> the program
% of Medicaid eligible students that attend an LEA enrolled in the Nevada Medicaid SHS program
# of students and % of school population receiving a Medicaid-billable service by county
% of Provider Type 60 claims that are for non-IEP services
% of Provider Type 60 claims for non-IEP services that are for mental health services (equation = claims with mental health procedure codes and non-IEP modifiers/claims with non-IEP modifiers)



# Program Evaluation Framework: Metrics (continued)

**Evaluation Question 3:** What is the impact on students of increased LEA participation and billing through the Nevada Medicaid SHS program?

Metric
% of LEAs reporting that billing revenue supports increased investment in school health services/staffing
% of students receiving a Medicaid-billable service in school (via Provider Type 60) that would not otherwise have received/accessed Medicaid services
# of school health personnel employed by LEAs
% of students that are chronically absent by LEA



# Questions?



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