

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
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1. LOG NUMBER 000171	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>Response e-mailed on 8/30/06</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE <i>8-31-06</i> <input type="checkbox"/> FOIA DATE DUE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action

APPROVALS (Only when prepared for director's signature)	APPROVE	* DISAPPROVE (Note reason for disapproval and return to preparer.)	COMMENT
1.			APHSA
2.			needs info by 8/31/06
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From: "Gregorio Hunt" <GHunt@aphsa.org>
To: "Martha Roherty" <MRoherty@aphsa.org>; "Andrea Maresca" <AMaresca@aphsa.org>
Date: 8/24/2006 11:29:49 AM
Subject: Survey on Rehabilitation Services & School-Based Administration and Transportation Services-Response Requested

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Good Morning State Medicaid Directors:

In the Administration's FY 2007 budget proposal, there are proposed changes to current Medicaid policy that would be implemented administratively. These changes would create stricter reimbursement for rehabilitative services and proposed elimination of school-based administration and transportation. We are trying to ascertain how your state has been or would be impacted with the proposed changes to these particular services. Please complete the survey by close of business on Thursday, August 31. The link to access the survey is <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=209692448756>.

Thank you in advance for your response to this request. In the interim, if you have any questions regarding the survey, please do not hesitate to contact me either at ghunt@aphsa.org or at (202) 682-0100 extension 254.

Thank you,

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1. Contact Information

1. Please provide the following information:

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FY 2007 Administrative Proposals[Exit this survey >>](#)**2. Medicaid Rehabilitative Services**

The President's budget seeks to clarify, through regulation, which services may be claimed as Medicaid rehabilitation services. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services estimates that this proposal would save the federal government \$225 million in FY 2007 and \$2.3 billion over the FY 2007-2011 period.

2. Have you been audited for rehabilitation services?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

3. If yes, when was the audit and what were the disallowances and penalties assessed?**4. Has your state experienced conflicts between providers who have authorized rehabilitation services and those that have rendered rehabilitation services?**

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

5. If yes, please explain.**6. Did CMS specify whether there was a concern for adult rehabilitation services, child rehabilitation services, or both?**

- ☐ Adult services
☐ Child services
☐ Both

7. Have you been instructed by CMS Regional Office/Center Office to make changes to the allowable rehabilitation services? If yes, please explain those changes.

8. Which services has CMS deemed not to be rehabilitative services?

9. If your state has made changes, what has been the financial impact of those changes on your state?

10. Are you interested in participating in an all-state call to discuss a strategy regarding rehabilitation services?

☒ Yes

☐ No

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FY 2007 Administrative Proposals[Exit this survey >>](#)**3. School-Based Administration and Transportation**

The President's budget would, through administrative action, prohibit federal reimbursement for Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)-related school-based administration and transportation costs. According to HHS estimates, this proposal would save the federal government \$615 million in FY 2007 and \$3.645 billion over the FY 2007-2011 period.

11. What is the estimated financial impact of the elimination of school-based administrative services for you state, in state dollars?

12. What is the estimated financial impact of the elimination of school-based transportation services for you state, in state dollars?

13. Has your state been contacted by CMS Regional Office/Central Office regarding school-based administration and transportation services? If yes, please describe the nature of the communication.

14. Has your state been audited for Medicaid claims paid for services provided in a school setting?

☐ Yes
☐ No

15. What types of restrictions, if any, are placed on the services and/or individual providers in school-based settings in your state?

16. Are you interested in participating in an all-state call to discuss a strategy regarding school-based administration and transportation services?

☒ Yes

☐ No

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1. Please provide the following information:

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CMS has indicated general concerns about our current array of rehabilitative services. CMS comments were made in the context of the proposed rehabilitative services criteria. Specifically, they have questioned the school based Applied Behavior Therapy Services. CMS has indicated that this services appears to be habilitative rather than rehabilitative in nature.

8. Which services has CMS deemed not to be rehabilitative services?

School based Applied Behavior Therapy Services for individuals with Autism.

9. If your state has made changes, what has been the financial impact of those changes on your state?

SC is still in discussions with CMS regarding ABTS. We are in the process of submitting other state plan amendments in response to CMS's request for a more detailed definition of state plan services. We anticipate additional questions to be raised by CMS. No fiscal impact has been determined to date pending CMS final determination of state plan amendment approval.

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☒ Yes

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Under the Administrative Claiming Program, the estimated impact is approximately \$17M

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\$582,430.00- State Dollars

13. Has your state been contacted by CMS Regional Office/Central Office regarding school-based administration and transportation services? If yes, please describe the nature of the communication.

To date, no. However, we are in discussions with CMS regarding approval of the school based administrative claiming program. Also, we are finalizing a state plan amendment for non-emergency transportation services in which school based services will be referenced.

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