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## **ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT**

This document has been produced at the direction of the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH), Bureau of Health Services Financing (BHSF), the agency that establishes all policy regarding Louisiana Medicaid. DHH contracts with a fiscal intermediary, currently Unisys Corporation, to administer certain aspects of Louisiana Medicaid according to policy, procedures, and guidelines established by DHH. This includes payment of Medicaid claims; processing of certain financial transactions; utilization review of provider claim submissions and payments; processing of pre-certification and prior authorization requests; and assisting providers in understanding Medicaid policy and procedure and correctly filing claims to obtain reimbursement.

This training packet has been developed for presentation at the Fall 2007 Louisiana Medicaid Provider Training workshops. Each year these workshops are held to inform providers of recent changes that affect Louisiana Medicaid billing and reimbursement. In addition, established policies and procedures that prompt significant provider inquiry or billing difficulty may be clarified by workshop presenters. The emphasis of the workshops is on policy and procedures that affect Medicaid billing.

This packet does not present general Medicaid policy such as recipient eligibility and ID cards, and third party liability. The 2006 Basic Training packet may be obtained by downloading it from the Louisiana Medicaid website, [www.lamedicaid.com](http://www.lamedicaid.com).

## **FOR YOUR INFORMATION! SPECIAL MEDICAID BENEFITS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

**THE FOLLOWING SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE TO CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES.  
TO REQUEST THEM CALL THE OFFICE FOR CITIZENS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES  
(OCDD)/DISTRICT/AUTHORITY IN YOUR AREA.  
(See listing of numbers on attachment)**

### **MR/DD MEDICAID WAIVER SERVICES**

To sign up for "waiver programs" that offer Medicaid and additional services to eligible persons (including those whose income may be too high for other Medicaid), ask to be added to the Mentally Retarded/ Developmentally Disabled (MR/DD) Request for Services Registry (RFSR). The **New Opportunities Waiver (NOW)** and the **Children's Choice Waiver** both provide services in the home, instead of in an institution, to persons who have mental retardation and/or other developmental disabilities. Both waivers cover Family Support, Center-Based Respite, Environmental Accessibility Modifications, and Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies. In addition, **NOW** covers services to help individuals live alone in the community or to assist with employment, and professional and nursing services beyond those that Medicaid usually covers. The **Children's Choice Waiver** also includes Family Training. Children remain eligible for the Children's Choice Waiver until their nineteenth birthday, at which time they will be transferred to an appropriate Mentally Retarded/Developmentally Disabled (MR/DD) Waiver.

(If you are accessing services for someone 0-3 please contact EarlySteps at 1-866-327-5978.)

### **SUPPORT COORDINATION**

A support coordinator works with you to develop a comprehensive list of all needed services (such as medical care, therapies, personal care services, equipment, social services, and educational services) then assists you in obtaining them. **If you are a Medicaid recipient and under the age of 21 and it is medically necessary, you may be eligible to receive support coordination services immediately.** Contact Statistical Resources, Inc. (SRI) at 1-800-364-7828.

**THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS ARE AVAILABLE TO ALL MEDICAID ELIGIBLE CHILDREN AND YOUTH UNDER THE  
AGE OF 21 WHO HAVE A MEDICAL NEED.  
TO ACCESS THESE SERVICES CALL KIDMED (TOLL FREE) at 1-877-455-9955  
(or TTY 1-877-544-9544)**

### **MENTAL HEALTH REHABILITATION SERVICES**

Children and youth with mental illness may receive Mental Health Rehabilitation Services. These services include clinical and medication management; individual and parent/family intervention; supportive and group counseling; individual and group psychosocial skills training; behavior intervention plan development and service integration. All mental health rehabilitation services must be approved by mental health prior authorization unit.

### **PSYCHOLOGICAL AND BEHAVIORAL SERVICES**

Children and youth who require psychological and/or behavioral services may receive these services from a licensed psychologist. These services include necessary assessments and evaluations, individual therapy, and family therapy.

### **EPSDT/KIDMED EXAMS AND CHECKUPS**

Medicaid recipients under the age of 21 are eligible for checkups ("EPSDT screens"). These checkups include a health history; physical exam; immunizations; laboratory tests, including lead blood level assessment; vision and hearing checks; and dental services. They are available both on a regular basis, and whenever additional health treatment or services are needed. EPSDT screens may help to find problems, which need other health treatment or additional services. **Children under 21 are entitled to receive all medically necessary health care, diagnostic services, and treatment and other measures covered by Medicaid to correct or improve physical or mental conditions. This includes a wide range of services not covered by Medicaid for recipients over the age of 21.**

## **PERSONAL CARE SERVICES**

*Personal Care Services (PCS)* are provided by attendants when physical limitations due to illness or injury require assistance with eating, bathing, dressing, and personal hygiene. Personal Care Services do not include medical tasks such as medication administration, tracheostomy care, feeding tubes or catheters. The Medicaid *Home Health* program or *Extended Home Health* program covers those medical services. PCS must be ordered by a physician. The PCS provider must request approval for the service from Medicaid.

## **EXTENDED SKILLED NURSING SERVICES**

Children and youth may be eligible to receive Skilled Nursing Services in the home. These services are provided by a Home Health Agency. A physician must order this service. Once ordered by a physician, the home health agency must request approval for the service from Medicaid.

## **PHYSICAL THERAPY, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, SPEECH THERAPY, AUDIOLOGY SERVICES, and PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION AND TREATMENT**

If a child or youth wants rehabilitation services such as Physical, Occupational, or Speech Therapy, Audiology Services, or Psychological Evaluation and Treatment; these services can be provided at school, in an early intervention center, in an outpatient facility, in a rehabilitation center, at home, or in a combination of settings, depending on the child's needs. For Medicaid to cover these services at school (ages 3 to 21), or early intervention centers and *EarlySteps* (ages 0 to 3), they must be part of the IEP or IFSP. For Medicaid to cover the services through an outpatient facility, rehabilitation center, or home health, they must be ordered by a physician and be prior-authorized by Medicaid.

**FOR INFORMATION ON RECEIVING THESE THERAPIES CONTACT YOUR SCHOOL OR EARLY INTERVENTION CENTER. *EARLYSTEPS* CAN BE CONTACTED (toll free) AT 1-866-327-5978. CALL KIDMED REFERRAL ASSISTANCE AT 1-877-455-9955 TO LOCATE OTHER THERAPY PROVIDERS.**

## **MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES**

Children and youth can obtain any medically necessary medical supplies, equipment and appliances needed to correct, or improve physical or mental conditions. Medical Equipment and Supplies must be ordered by a physician. Once ordered by a physician, the supplier of the equipment or supplies must request approval for them from Medicaid.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

Transportation to and from medical appointments, if needed, is provided by Medicaid. These medical appointments do not have to be with Medicaid providers for the transportation to be covered. Arrangements for non-emergency transportation must be made at least 48 hours in advance.

**Children under age 21 are entitled to receive all medically necessary health care, diagnostic services, treatment, and other measures that Medicaid can cover. This includes many services that are not covered for adults.**

**IF YOU NEED A SERVICE THAT IS NOT LISTED ABOVE CALL THE REFERRAL ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR AT KIDMED (TOLL FREE) 1-877-455- 9955 (OR TTY 1-877-544-9544).  
IF THEY CANNOT REFER YOU TO A PROVIDER OF THE SERVICE YOU NEED,  
CALL 1-888-758-2220 FOR ASSISTANCE.**

## **OTHER MEDICAID COVERED SERVICES**

- Ambulatory Care Services, Rural Health Clinics, and Federally Qualified Health Centers
- Ambulatory Surgery Services
- Certified Family and Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Services
- Chiropractic Services
- Developmental and Behavioral Clinic Services
- Diagnostic Services-laboratory and X-ray
- Early Intervention Services
- Emergency Ambulance Services
- Family Planning Services
- Hospital Services-inpatient and outpatient
- Nursing Facility Services
- Nurse Midwifery Services
- Podiatry Services
- Prenatal Care Services
- Prescription and Pharmacy Services
- Health Services
- Sexually Transmitted Disease Screening

**MEDICAID RECIPIENTS UNDER THE AGE OF 21 ARE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE THE ABOVE SERVICES AND ANY OTHER NECESSARY HEALTH CARE, DIAGNOSTIC SERVICE, TREATMENT AND OTHER MEASURES COVERED BY MEDICAID TO CORRECT OR IMPROVE A PHYSICAL OR MENTAL CONDITION.** This may include services not specifically listed above. These services must be ordered by a physician and sent to Medicaid by the provider of the service for approval.

**If you need a service that is not listed above call KIDMED (TOLL FREE) at 1-877-455-9955 (or TTY 1-877-544-9544).**

**If you do not RECEIVE the help YOU need ask for the referral assistance coordinator.**

## Services Available to Medicaid Eligible Children Under 21

If you are a Medicaid recipient under the age of 21, you may be eligible for the following services:

- \*Doctor's Visits
- \*Hospital (inpatient and outpatient) Services
- \*Lab and X-ray Tests
- \*Family Planning
- \*Home Health Care
- \*Dental Care
- \*Rehabilitation Services
- \*Prescription Drugs
- \*Medical Equipment, Appliances and Supplies (DME)
- \*Support Coordination
- \*Speech and Language Evaluations and Therapies
- \*Occupational Therapy
- \*Physical Therapy
- \*Psychological Evaluations and Therapy
- \*Psychological and Behavior Services
- \*Podiatry Services
- \*Optometrist Services
- \*Hospice Services
- \*Extended Skilled Nurse Services
- \*Residential Institutional Care or Home and Community Based (Waiver) Services
- \*Medical, Dental, Vision and Hearing Screenings, both Periodic and Interperiodic
- \*Immunizations
- \*Eyeglasses
- \*Hearing Aids
- \*Psychiatric Hospital Care
- \*Personal Care Services
- \*Audiological Services
- \*Necessary Transportation: Ambulance Transportation, Non-ambulance Transportation
- \*Appointment Scheduling Assistance
- \*Substance Abuse Clinic Services
- \*Chiropractic Services
- \*Prenatal Care
- \*Certified Nurse Midwives
- \*Certified Nurse Practitioners
- \*Mental Health Rehabilitation
- \*Mental Health Clinic Services

and any other medically necessary health care, diagnostic services, treatment, and other measures which are coverable by Medicaid, which includes a wide range of services not covered for recipients over the age of 21.

If you need a service that is not listed above call the referral assistance coordinator at KIDMED (toll free) 1-877-455-9955 (or TTY 1-877-544-9544). If they cannot refer you to a provider of the service you need call 225-342-5774.

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If you are a Medicaid recipient, under age 21, and are on the waiting list for the MR/DD Request for Services Registry, you may be eligible for support coordination services. To access these services, you must contact your Regional Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities office. If you are a Medicaid recipient under age 21, and it is medically necessary, you may be able to receive support coordination services immediately by calling SRI (toll free) at 1-800-364-7828.

You may access other services by calling KIDMED at (toll-free) 1-877-455-9955. If you are deaf or hard of hearing, please call the TTY number, (toll-free) 1-877-544-9544. If you have a communication disability or are non-English speaking, you may have someone else call KIDMED and the appropriate assistance can be provided.

Some of these services must be approved by Medicaid in advance. Your medical provider should be aware of which services must be pre-approved and can assist you in obtaining those services. Also, KIDMED can assist you or your medical provider with information as to which services must be pre-approved.

Whenever health treatment or additional services are needed, you may obtain an appointment for a screening visit by contacting KIDMED. Such screening visits also can be recommended by any health, developmental, or educational professional. To schedule a screening visit, contact KIDMED at (toll-free) 1-800-259-4444 (or 928-9683, if you live in the Baton Rouge area), or by contacting your physician if you already have a KIDMED provider. If you are deaf or hard of hearing, please call the TTY number, (toll-free) 1-877-544-9544. If you have a communication disability or are non-English speaking, you may have someone else call KIDMED and the appropriate assistance can be provided.

Louisiana Medicaid encourages you to contact the KIDMED office and obtain a KIDMED provider so that you may be better served.

If you live in a CommunityCARE parish, please contact your primary care physician for assistance in obtaining any of these services or contact KIDMED at (toll-free) 1-877-455-9955.

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## STANDARDS FOR PARTICIPATION

Provider participation in Medicaid of Louisiana is entirely voluntary. State regulations and policy define certain standards for providers who choose to participate. These standards are listed as follows:

- Provider agreement and enrollment with the Bureau of Health Services Financing (BHSF) of the Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH);
- Agreement to charge no more for services to eligible recipients than is charged on the average for similar services to others;
- Agreement to accept as payment in full the amounts established by the BHSF and refusal to seek additional payment from the recipient for any unpaid portion of a bill, except in cases of Spend-Down Medically Needy recipients; a recipient may be billed for services which have been determined as non-covered or exceeding a limitation set by the Medicaid Program. Patients are also responsible for all services rendered after eligibility has ended.
- Agreement to maintain medical records (as are necessary) and any information regarding payments claimed by the provider for furnishing services;
- **NOTE: Records must be retained for a period of five (5) years and be furnished, as requested, to the BHSF, its authorized representative, representatives of the DHH, or the state Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit.**
- Agreement that all services to and materials for recipients of public assistance be in compliance with Title VI of the *1964 Civil Rights Act*, Section 504 of the *Rehabilitation Act of 1978*, and, where applicable, *Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act*.

### Picking and Choosing Services

On March 20, 1991, Medicaid of Louisiana adopted the following rule:

***Practitioners who participate as providers of medical services shall bill Medicaid for all covered services performed on behalf of an eligible individual who has been accepted by the provider as a Medicaid patient.***

This rule prohibits Medicaid providers from "picking and choosing" the services for which they agree to accept a client's Medicaid payment as payment in full for services rendered. Providers must bill Medicaid for **all** Medicaid covered services that they provide to their clients.

Providers continue to have the option of picking and choosing from which patients they will accept Medicaid. Providers are not required to accept every Medicaid patient requiring treatment.

## **Statutorily Mandated Revisions to All Provider Agreements**

The 1997 Regular Session of the Legislature passed and the Governor signed into law the Medical Assistance Program Integrity Law (MAPIL) cited as LSA-RS 46:437.1-46:440.3. This legislation has a significant impact on all Medicaid providers. All providers should take the time to become familiar with the provisions of this law.

MAPIL contains a number of provisions related to provider agreements. Those provisions which deal specifically with provider agreements and the enrollment process are contained in LSA-RS 46:437.11-46:437.14. The provider agreement provisions of MAPIL statutorily establishes that the provider agreement is a contract between the Department and the provider and that the provider voluntarily entered into that contract. Among the terms and conditions imposed on the provider by this law are the following:

- comply with all federal and state laws and regulations;
- provide goods, services and supplies which are medically necessary in the scope and quality fitting the appropriate standard of care;
- have all necessary and required licenses or certificates;
- maintain and retain all records for a period of five (5) years;
- allow for inspection of all records by governmental authorities;
- safeguard against disclosure of information in patient medical records;
- bill other insurers and third parties prior to billing Medicaid;
- report and refund any and all overpayments;
- accept payment in full for Medicaid recipients providing allowances for copayments authorized by Medicaid;
- agree to be subject to claims review;
- the buyer and seller of a provider are liable for any administrative sanctions or civil judgments;
- notification prior to any change in ownership;
- inspection of facilities; and,
- posting of bond or letter of credit when required.

MAPIL's provider agreement provisions contain additional terms and conditions. The above is merely a brief outline of some of the terms and conditions and is not all inclusive. The provider agreement provisions of MAPIL also provide the Secretary with the authority to deny enrollment or revoke enrollment under specific conditions.

The effective date of these provisions was August 15, 1997. All providers who were enrolled at that time or who enroll on or after that date are subject to these provisions. All provider agreements which were in effect before August 15, 1997 or became effective on or after August 15, 1997 are subject to the provisions of MAPIL and all provider agreements are deemed to be amended effective August 15, 1997 to contain the terms and conditions established in MAPIL.

Any provider who does not wish to be subjected to the terms, conditions and requirements of MAPIL must notify Provider Enrollment immediately that the provider is withdrawing from the Medicaid program. If no such written notice is received, the provider may continue as an enrolled provider subject to the provisions of MAPIL.

## Surveillance Utilization Review

The Department of Health and Hospitals' Office of Program Integrity, in partnership with Unisys, perform the Surveillance Utilization Review function of the Louisiana Medicaid program. This function is intended to combat fraud and abuse within Louisiana Medicaid and is accomplished by a combination of computer runs, along with medical staff that review providers on a post payment basis. Providers are profiled according to billing activity and are selected for review using computer-generated reports. The Program Integrity Unit of DHH also reviews telephone and written complaints sent from various sources throughout the state, including the fraud hotline.

☞ Program Integrity and SURS would also like to remind all providers that they are bound by the conditions of their provider agreement which includes but is not limited to those things set out in Medical Assistance Program Integrity Law (MAPIL) R.S. 46:437.1 through 440.3, The Surveillance and Utilization Review Systems Regulation (SURS Rule) Louisiana Register Vol. 29, No. 4, April 20, 2003, and all other applicable federal and state laws and regulations, as well as Departmental and Medicaid policies. Failure to adhere to these could result in administrative, civil and/or criminal actions.

Providers should anticipate an audit during their association with the Louisiana Medicaid program. When audited, providers are to cooperate with the representatives of DHH, which includes Unisys, in accordance with their participation agreement signed upon enrollment. Failure to cooperate could result in administrative sanctions. The sanctions include, but are not limited to:

- Withholding of Medicaid payments
- Referral to the Attorney General's Office for investigation
- Termination of Provider Agreement

Program Integrity and the Unisys Surveillance Utilization Review area remind providers **that a service undocumented is considered a service not rendered**. Providers should ensure their documentation is accurate and complete. All undocumented services are subject to recoupment. Other services subject to recoupment are:

- Upcoding level of care
- Maximizing payments for services rendered
- Billing components of lab tests, rather than the appropriate lab panel
- Billing for medically unnecessary services
- Billing for services not rendered
- Consultations performed by the patient's primary care, treating, or attending physicians

## **Fraud and Abuse Hotline**

The state has a hotline for reporting possible fraud and abuse in the Medicaid Program. Providers are encouraged to give this phone number/web address to any individual or provider who wants to report possible cases of fraud or abuse.

Anyone can report concerns at (800) 488-2917 or by using the web address at <http://www.dhh.state.la.us/offices/fraudform.asp?id=92>

## **Deficit Reduction Act of 2005**

Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, Section 6032 Implementation. As a condition of payment for goods, services and supplies provided to recipients of the Medicaid Program, providers and entities must comply with the False Claims Act employee training and policy requirements in 1902(a) of the Social Security Act (42 USC §1396(a)(68)), set forth in that subsection and as the Secretary of US Department of Health and Human Services may specify. As an enrolled provider, it is your obligation to inform all of your employees and affiliates of the provisions the provisions of False Claims Act. When monitored, you will be required to show evidence of compliance with this requirement.

- Effective July 1, 2007, the Louisiana Medicaid Program requires all new enrollment packets to have a signature on the PE-50 which will contain the above language.
- The above message was posted on LAMedicaid website, (<https://www.lamedicaid.com/sprovweb1/default.htm>), RA messages, and in the June/July 2007 Louisiana Provider Update
- Effective November 1, 2007, enrolled Medicaid providers will be monitored for compliance through already established monitoring processes.
- All providers who do \$5 million or more in Medicaid payments annually, must comply with this provision of the DRA.

## EPSDT HEALTH SERVICES

**EPSDT Health Services** for children with disabilities include health-related special education services and may only be provided by local school boards for children ages three (3) to 21, and by Early Intervention Centers or the EarlySteps Program for children from birth to age three (3). All EPSDT Health Services must be included on the child's individualized education program (IEP) or individualized family services plan (IFSP).

### Program Requirements

The Department of Health and Hospitals has been in negotiations for some time to settle a lawsuit. Many of the issues being addressed involve informing Medicaid recipients of all options available to them through our program. The Department has complied with this stipulation by conducting trainings statewide covering both eligibility and covered services. However, to remain compliant with the settlement, the Department of Health and Hospitals is now requiring that all EPSDT Health Services Providers enrolled in Medicaid give the following statement in writing to Medicaid-eligible recipients at the time their IEP or IFSP is developed.

**If your child is Medicaid eligible, and is eligible to receive audiologic services, occupational therapy evaluations and treatment services, physical therapy evaluations and therapy (individual and group), psychological evaluations and therapy (individual and group), and speech and language evaluations and therapy (individual and group), you may choose to obtain them either through your school, an early intervention center or the EarlySteps Program or other Medicaid enrolled provider of those services.**

**Children who do not qualify for these services for educational purposes may still be eligible for them through Medicaid. Services outside of or in addition to those provided at school or in an early intervention center/EarlySteps must be ordered by a physician. Once the services are ordered by a physician, the service provider must request approval from Medicaid. To locate a provider other than the school or early intervention center, please contact your case manager, physician, or call the Specialty Care Resource Line toll free at 1-877-455-9955 or the EarlySteps Program at 1-866-327-5978.**

Again, this information must be supplied to the recipient and/or caregiver at the time the IEP or IFSP is developed.

## School Boards (Ages 3 to 21)

School boards may provide the following services for children ages three (3) to twenty-one (21):

Audiology services

Occupational therapy evaluations and treatment services

Physical therapy evaluations and treatment services

Speech and language evaluations and therapy (individual and group)

Psychological evaluations and therapy (individual and group)\*

\*See "Program Requirements For Reimbursement" section for clarification of provider qualifications for psychologists.

Medicaid reimburses only for direct, one-on-one patient contact services, billed as units of time, in Physical and Occupational Therapy. **Group therapy and co-treating are not covered under Physical and Occupational Therapy.**

**NOTE:** A written referral or prescription is no longer required from a licensed physician to provide speech pathology services. However, speech pathology services must still be included in a student's IEP in order to be reimbursed by Medicaid.

**NOTE:** If a Medicaid eligible child under the age of 21 years does not meet the School Boards eligibility requirements for the above Medicaid covered services, medically necessary Medicaid covered services are available from Medicaid. Medically necessary services must be prescribed by a physician and prior authorization is required.

## Early Intervention Centers (Age birth to 3)

Early Intervention services are provided to infants and toddlers from birth to age three (3). All EIC services for recipients birth to age three (3) can be provided in the home or the recipient's "natural setting". Some of these services are not necessarily covered by Title XIX (Medicaid). These services include:

- Assistive technology
- Audiology services
- Family service coordination
- Health services
- Medical services
- Nursing services
- Nutrition services
- Occupational therapy
- Physical therapy
- Psychological services
- Social work services
- Special education services
- Special instructions
- Speech/language therapy
- Transportation services
- Vision services



Early Intervention Centers must be licensed by Department of Social Services. Providers interested in becoming licensed as an Early Intervention Center may contact the Bureau of Licensing at (225) 922-0015.

In addition, any provider issued an EIC license by DSS can apply to Medicaid as an EPSDT Early Intervention Center. This includes providers that are currently enrolled in Medicaid under other provider types (i.e. Rehab Clinics). However, when providing these services the provider **MUST** bill using their Medicaid EIC provider number.

Medicaid reimburses only for direct, one-on-one patient contact services, billed as units of time, in Physical and Occupational Therapy. **Group therapy and co-treating are not covered under Physical and Occupational Therapy.**

Descriptions of service and professional requirements were published in the EPSDT Health Services Provider Manual, issued October 1, 1997.

**NOTE:** If a Medicaid eligible child under the age of 3 years does not meet the eligibility requirements for early intervention services through an Early Intervention Center, medically necessary Medicaid covered services are available from Medicaid. Medically necessary services must be prescribed by a physician and prior authorization is required.

### **EarlySteps (Age birth to 3)**

*(The following information was received from the EarlySteps Program. Please contact the EarlySteps Program for additional information.)*

EarlySteps is Louisiana's Early Intervention System which provides services to families with infants and toddlers who have special needs. These services are delivered in the recipient's home or "natural setting".

Eligibility criteria for the EarlySteps program are for children ages birth to age 3 and in two areas, Developmental Delay and Established Medical Conditions as follows:

#### **Developmental Delay**

The recipient must have a developmental delay of at least 1.5 SD (standard deviations) in one of the following developmental areas or in a specified subdomain;

- Cognitive development
- Physical development (vision, hearing, fine and gross motor)
  - fine motor
  - gross motor
- Communication development
  - receptive language
  - expressive language
- Social or emotional development
- Adaptive skills development (also known as self-help or daily living skills)

A child may also qualify using *informed clinical opinion* in any area of development if a developmental assessment alone does not indicate a delay of 1.5 standard deviations from the mean. In this case, the provider should document that the area of concern is atypical for the child's age, interferes with normal functioning, and makes day-to-day care of the child difficult. These developmental delay criteria are in effect as of July 1, 2007.

## **Established Medical Condition**

EarlySteps utilizes the following medical conditions which have a high probability of resulting in developmental delay for eligibility.

### **Diagnosed Conditions List and ICD-9 Codes**

If documented by a physician's signature (or that of an audiologist in the case of hearing impairment or a speech/language pathologist in the case of a child with developmental apraxia of speech) children with the following diagnoses are eligible for the EarlySteps System. These diagnoses have a high probability of resulting in developmental delay.

#### **Genetic Disorders**

##### **A. Chromosomal Abnormality Syndromes**

Down's syndrome (758.0), Trisomy 13 (758.1), Trisomy 18 (758.2)  
Autosomal deletion syndromes (758.3\_) (includes Cri-du-chat, velo-cardio-facial, others)  
Other micro-deletion syndromes (758.5) (includes Miller Dieker syndrome, Smith-Magenis syndrome)  
DiGeorge Syndrome (279.11)  
Fragile X (759.83)  
Prader-Willi (759.81)  
Other conditions due to autosomal anomalies (758.5)  
Conditions due to sex chromosome anomalies, (758.81) This does not include Klinefelter's Syndrome (XXY) or Turner's Syndrome (XO)  
Conditions due to anomaly of unspecified chromosome (758.9) (includes Williams Syndrome)

##### **B. Pre-natal exposures**

Fetal alcohol syndrome (760.71)  
Narcotics exposure (760.72)  
Hallucinogenic agent exposure (760.73)  
Cocaine exposure (760.75)  
Anticonvulsant exposure (760.77)

##### **C. Neurocutaneous Syndromes**

Incontinentia pigmenti (757.33)  
Neurofibromatosis (237.7)  
Sturge-Weber syndrome (759.6)  
Tuberous sclerosis (759.5)

##### **D. Inborn Errors of Metabolism**

Disorders of amino-acid transport (270--) (includes PKU, Maple Sugar Urine Disease, urea cycle defects, organic acidemias, others)  
Disorders of Carbohydrate metabolism (only 271.0, 271.1)  
Disorders of Lipid Metabolism (only 272.7, 272.8)  
Cerebral degenerations of the central nervous system (includes leukodystrophies (330-); cerebral lipidoses such as TaySach's (330.1); Fabry's, Gaucher's, Niemann Pick, sphingolipidoses (330.2), Hunter's and other mucopolysaccharidoses (277.5), other cerebral degenerations in childhood (330.8, 330.9)

##### **E. Prenatal Infections**

"TORCH infections" (771.0--771.2), including:  
Congenital rubella (771.0)  
Congenital cytomegalovirus infection (CMV) (771.1)  
Congenital herpes simplex (771.2)  
Congenital toxoplasmosis (771.2)

## **F. Other Syndromes**

Chondrodystrophies (756.4)  
Congenital anomalies of central nervous system (742.--)  
Osteodystrophies (756.5)  
Cerebral gigantism (253.0)  
Other specified congenital anomalies affecting multiple systems (759.8-) (includes Beckwith Weiderman Syndrome, Cornelia de Lange's Syndrome, others 759.89)

## **Sensory Impairments**

Impairment can be congenital or acquired  
Profound impairment, both eyes (369.0-)  
Moderate or severe impairment, better eye, profound impairment lesser eye (369.1-)  
Moderate or severe impairment, both eyes (369.2-)  
Legal blindness, as defined in USA (369.4)  
Retinopathy of prematurity, (Grades 4 and 5) (362.21), bilateral  
Cortical Blindness (377.75), bilateral  
Hearing impairment (25dB loss or greater) (389.--), unilateral or bilateral  
Auditory neuropathy (389.9)  
Central hearing loss (389.14)

## **Orthopedic and Neurological Disorders**

Anoxic brain damage (348.1)  
Anterior horn cell disease (335.--)  
Arthrogryposis (728.3)  
Brachial plexus palsy, perinatal origin (767.6) and post-perinatal origin (953.4)  
Cerebral cysts (348.0)  
Cerebral palsy (all types) (343.--)  
Cleft hand (755.58)  
Congenital anomalies of the central nervous system (742.--)  
Congenital anomalies of limbs (755.2-; 755.3-; 755.4-)  
Congenital musculoskeletal anomalies (756.0; 756.13 & 756.51)  
Degenerative progressive neurological conditions (330.--)  
Developmental apraxia of speech (784.69)  
Encephalopathy Not Otherwise Specified (348.30)  
Fracture of vertebral column with spinal cord injury (806)  
Hemiplegia and hemiparesis (342.--)  
Hereditary and degenerative diseases of the central nervous system (331.3; 331.4; 331.7, & 335.--)  
Hydrocephaly, congenital (742.3) and acquired (331.3-331.4)  
Infantile spasms (345.6)  
Intraventricular hemorrhage (IVH) - Grade 3 (772.13) & Grade 4 (773.14)  
Meningomyelocele / Myelomeningocele / Spina Bifida / Neural Tube Defect (741.--)  
Muscular dystrophies and other myopathies (359.0, 359.1 & 359.2)  
Paralytic syndromes (344.0 – 344.5)  
Spinal cord injury (952.--)  
Stroke (434.--)  
Traumatic Brain Injury (851.--)

## **Social Emotional Disorders**

Childhood depression (311)  
Reactive attachment disorder (313.89)

## **Pervasive Developmental Disorders (299.--) including:**

Asperger's syndrome / disorder (299.8)  
Autism (299.0)  
Childhood disintegrative disorder (299.1)  
Unspecified pervasive developmental disorder-NOS (299.9)  
Rett's syndrome (300.8)

**Medically Related Disorders**

Congenital or infancy-onset hypothyroidism (243)  
Cleft palate (prior to the operation to repair the cleft and up to one-year post-operative) (749.0 and 749.2)  
Craniosynostosis (756.0)  
Premature closure of the sutures (756.0)  
Lead intoxication (>45 µg/dL) (984)  
Very low birth weight (<1500 grams at birth) up to 12 months corrected age only (765.1, 765.2, 765.3, 765.4, 765.5)  
Preterm infants 32 weeks or less gestational age up to 12 months corrected age only (765.21, 765.22, 765.23, 765.24, 765.25, 765.26)  
Non-organic failure to thrive (783.41)  
Chronic respiratory failure or ventilatory dependent (518.83)  
Bronchopulmonary dysplasia (770.7)

**EarlySteps Supports and Services**

EarlySteps provides the following Medicaid-covered services:

- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech/Language Therapy
- Audiology
- Psychology
- Support Coordination (Family Service Coordination)

EarlySteps also provides the following services not covered by Medicaid:

- Nursing Services/Health Services (Only to enable an eligible child/family to benefit from the other EarlySteps services)
- Medical Services for diagnostic and evaluation purposes only
- Special Instruction
- Vision Services
- Assistive Technology devices and services
- Social Work
- Counseling Services/Family Training
- Transportation
- Nutrition Services
- Sign language and cued language services

If providers identify recipients that may meet the qualifications noted above or for whom concerns are identified through developmental screening, they may refer them to the local System Point of Entry (SPOE) detailed on the following pages, or have them call EarlySteps at 1-866-earlysteps.

All services are provided through a plan of care called the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). Early intervention services are provided through EarlySteps in conformance with Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

The EPSDT Early Intervention Services (EarlySteps) Fee Schedule is available online at [www.lamedicaid.com](http://www.lamedicaid.com). This fee schedule lists the Louisiana Medicaid reimbursement for all direct services (occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech/language therapy, psychology, and audiology).

**NOTE:** If a Medicaid eligible child under the age of 3 years does not meet the eligibility requirements for early intervention services under the EarlySteps program, medically necessary services are available through the Medicaid Infant and Toddler Support Coordination program and the EPSDT Program for direct services. Medically necessary services must be prescribed by a physician and prior authorization is required. Families may be referred to Medicaid providers directly for these services and/or may contact Statistical Resources, Inc. at 1-800-364-7828 for referrals.

## Program Requirements For Reimbursement

EPSDT Health Services program requirements for reimbursement are:

- All services must be furnished in the interest of establishing or modifying a child's individualized education program (IEP) or an infant or toddler's individualized family services plan (IFSP) or the services furnished must already be included in the current IEP or IFSP. **Non-IEP or non-IFSP services may not be billed to Medicaid under the EPSDT Health Services program.**
- If providing early intervention services to infants and toddlers, use one of the model IFSP forms found in Appendix C of the 1997 EPSDT Health Services manual. Medicaid must approve any other IFSP form before they may be used for reimbursement for these services.
- Only local education agencies (school boards) are eligible to enroll for children ages three (3) and above.
- The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the federal agency that administers the Medicaid program, has issued clarification on requirements for provider qualifications. As a result, effective September 5, 2006, only services provided by Psychologists licensed under the Louisiana Licensing Law for Psychologists (RS 37, Chapter 28) are reimbursable by Louisiana Medicaid. These requirements can be found at the following website address: <http://www.lsbeb.org/laws.htm>.

Services provided by School Psychologist certified by the Department of Education not meeting the minimum criteria as outlined by the Louisiana Licensing Law for Psychologists are no longer billable to Medicaid.

- Both public and private early intervention centers may enroll directly with Medicaid as providers of these services for infants and toddlers under age three.
- These services must be coordinated with other age appropriate preventive health services, including KIDMED screenings and immunizations.
  - Contact Louisiana KIDMED at (800) 259-8000 or (225) 928-9683 in Baton Rouge to determine the screening and immunization status of the child.
  - Louisiana KIDMED will follow up with the family to arrange for the screening and immunizations if due.
- These EPSDT services must also be coordinated with the Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) and Head Start. Make age-appropriate referrals for these services.
- Employ or contract with professional staff qualified to provide the services that meet state and Medicaid practitioner standards regarding certification, licensure, and supervision. Documentation of staff qualifications must be provided to Medicaid as part of the enrollment and monitoring process. Applicable qualifications are listed in Section 5 of the 1997 EPSDT Health Services manual.

- Agree to bill electronically.
- Medicaid payments from these services must be spent on the provision of health related services to children regardless of their Medicaid status.
  - Expenditures should be prioritized for expanding service delivery through additional employed or contracted staff before allocating funds for equipment and supplies, administrative support activities, capital improvements, or meeting the individual needs of children with disabilities.
  - Medicaid funds may not be used for strictly educational or non-medical purposes.

## EPSDT HEALTH SERVICES PROCEDURE CODES

The following chart lists the codes most commonly billed by EPSDT Health Services providers:

Procedure Code	Description	Fee
90804	Individual psychotherapy, insight oriented, behavior modifying and/or supportive, in an office or outpatient facility; approximately 20 – 30 minutes face to face with the patient	\$22.50
90806	Individual psychotherapy, insight oriented, behavior modifying and/or supportive, in an office or outpatient facility, approximately 45-50 minutes face to face with the patient	\$45.00
90810	Individual psychotherapy, interactive, using play equipment, physical devices, language interpreter, or other mechanisms of non-verbal communication in an office or outpatient facility, approximately 20-30 minutes face to face with patient	\$22.50
90812	Individual psychotherapy, interactive, using play equipment, physical device, language interpreter, or other mechanisms of non-verbal communication in an office or outpatient facility, approx 45-50 minutes face to face with the patient	\$45.00
90846	Family psychotherapy( w/o Patient)	\$22.50
90847	Family psychotherapy (conjoint psychotherapy) (with patient present)	\$22.50
90853	Group psychotherapy (other than of a multiple family group)	\$22.50
90857	Interactive group psychotherapy	\$22.50
92506	Evaluation of speech, language, voice, communication, auditory processing and/or aural rehabilitation status	\$45.00
92507	Treatment of speech, language, voice, communication and/or auditory processing disorder (includes aural rehabilitation); individual	\$7.50
92508	Treatment of speech, language, voice, communication and/or auditory processing disorder (includes aural rehabilitation); group, 2 or more individuals	\$7.50
92551	Screening test, pure tone, air only	\$3.60
92552	Pure tone audiometry (threshold), air only.	\$22.50
92553	Pure tone audiometry (threshold), air and bone.	\$45.00
92555	Speech audiometry threshold	\$9.00
92556	Speech audiometry threshold ; with speech recognition	\$22.50
92557	Comprehensive audiometry, threshold evaluation and speech recognition	\$54.00
92563	Tone decay test	\$10.00
92564	Short increment sensitivity index (SISI)	\$20.00
92565	Stenger test, pure tone	\$15.00
92567	Tympanometry (impedance testing)	\$22.50
92568	Acoustic reflex testing; threshold	\$22.50
92569	Acoustic reflex decay test; decay	\$36.00
92571	Filtered speech test	\$25.00
92572	Staggered spondaic word test	\$75.00
92575	Sensorineural acuity level test	\$20.00
92576	Synthetic sentence identification test	\$25.00
92577	Stenger test, speech	\$13.50
92582	Conditioning play audiometry	\$45.00



92583	Select picture audiometry	\$22.50
92584	Electrocochleography	\$200.00
92585	Auditory evoked potentials for evoked response audiometry and/or testing of the central nervous system; comprehensive	\$180.00
92586	Auditory evoked potentials for evoked response audiometry and/or testing of the CNS; limited	\$50.00
92587	Evoked otoacoustic emissions; limited (single stimulus level, either transient or distortion products)	\$25.00
92588	Comprehensive or diagnostic evaluation (comparison of transient and/or distortion product otoacoustic emissions at multiple levels and frequencies)	\$50.00
92590	Hearing aid exam and selection, monaural	\$65.00
92591	Hearing aid exam and selection, binaural	\$65.00
92592	Hearing aid check, monaural	\$22.50
92593	Hearing aid check, binaural	\$45.00
92594	Electroacoustic evaluation for hearing aid, monaural	\$22.50
92595	Electroacoustic evaluation for hearing aid, binaural	\$45.00
96101	Psychological testing (includes psychodiagnostic assessment of emotionality, intellectual abilities, personality and psychopathology, eg, MMPI, Rorschach, WAIS), per hour of the psychologist's or physician's time, both face-to-face time with the patient and time interpreting test results and preparing the report	\$76.50
97001	Physical Therapy evaluation	\$54.00
97003	Occupational Therapy Evaluation	\$51.00
97032	Application of modality to one or more areas; electrical stimulation (manual), each 15 minutes	\$10.00
97110	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; therapeutic exercises to develop strength and endurance, range of motion and flexibility	\$10.00
97112	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; neuromuscular re-education of movement, balance, coordination, kinesthetic sense, posture and/or proprioception for sitting and/or standing activities	\$10.00
97116	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; gait training (includes stair climbing)	\$20.00
97124	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; massage, including effleurage, petrissage, and/or tapotement (stroking, compression, percussion, etc.)	\$10.00
97530	Therapeutic activities, direct (one-on-one) patient contact by the provider (use of dynamic activities to improve functional performance); each 15 minutes	\$8.00
97750	Physical performance test or measurement (eg, musculoskeletal, functional capacity), with written report, each 15 minutes	\$8.00
97760	Orthotic(s) management and training (including assessment and fitting when not otherwise reported), upper extremity(s), lower extremity(s), lower extremity(s) and/or trunk, each 15 minutes	\$8.00

**NOTE:** CPT codes 96100 and 97504 have been deleted from CPT 2006.

Reimbursement fees are current as of September 1, 2007 and are subject to change.

## CLAIMS FILING

EPSDT services are billed electronically on the 837P format or hardcopy on the CMS-1500 claim form.

Items to be completed are either required or situational. Required information must be entered in order for the claim to process. Claims submitted with missing or invalid information in these fields will be returned unprocessed to the provider with a rejection letter listing the reason(s) the claims are being returned. These claims cannot be processed until corrected and resubmitted by the provider. Situational information may be required (but only in certain circumstances as detailed in the instructions below). Claims should be submitted to:

Unisys  
P.O. Box 91020  
Baton Rouge, LA 70821

Locator #	Description	Instructions	Alerts
1	Medicare / Medicaid / Tricare Champus / Champva / Group Health Plan / Feca Blk Lung	<b>Required</b> -- Enter an "X" in the box marked Medicaid (Medicaid #).	
1a	Insured's I.D. Number	<p><b>Required</b> – Enter the recipient's 13 digit Medicaid ID number exactly as it appears when checking recipient eligibility through MEVS, eMEVS, or REVS.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> The recipients' 13-digit Medicaid ID number <u>must</u> be used to bill claims. The CCN number from the plastic ID card is <b>NOT</b> acceptable. The ID number must match the recipient's name in Block 2.</p>	
2	Patient's Name	<b>Required</b> – Enter the recipient's last name, first name, middle initial.	
3	Patient's Birth Date          Sex	<p><b>Situational</b> – Enter the recipient's date of birth using six (6) digits (MM DD YY). If there is only one digit in this field, precede that digit with a zero (for example, 01 02 07).</p> <p>Enter an "X" in the appropriate box to show the sex of the recipient.</p>	
4	Insured's Name	<b>Situational</b> – Complete correctly if the recipient has other insurance; otherwise, leave blank.	

Locator #	Description	Instructions	Alerts
5	Patient's Address	<b>Optional</b> – Print the recipient's permanent address.	
6	Patient Relationship to Insured	<b>Situational</b> – Complete if appropriate or leave blank.	
7	Insured's Address	<b>Situational</b> – Complete if appropriate or leave blank.	
8	Patient Status	<b>Optional.</b>	
9	Other Insured's Name	<b>Situational</b> – Complete if appropriate or leave blank.	
9a	Other Insured's Policy or Group Number	<p><b>Situational</b> – If recipient has no other coverage, leave blank.</p> <p>If there is other coverage, the state assigned 6-digit TPL carrier code is <b>required</b> in this block (the carrier code list can be found at <a href="http://www.lamedicaid.com">www.lamedicaid.com</a> under the <b>Forms/Files</b> link).</p> <p>Make sure the EOB or EOBs from other insurance(s) are attached to the claim.</p>	
9b	Other Insured's Date of Birth  Sex	<b>Situational</b> – Complete if appropriate or leave blank.	
9c	Employer's Name or School Name	<b>Situational</b> – Complete if appropriate or leave blank.	
9d	Insurance Plan Name or Program Name	<b>Situational</b> – Complete if appropriate or leave blank.	
10	Is Patient's Condition Related To:	<b>Situational</b> – Complete if appropriate or leave blank.	
11	Insured's Policy Group or FECA Number	<b>Situational</b> – Complete if appropriate or leave blank.	
11a	Insured's Date of Birth  Sex	<b>Situational</b> – Complete if appropriate or leave blank.	
11b	Employer's Name or School Name	<b>Situational</b> – Complete if appropriate or leave blank.	

Locator #	Description	Instructions	Alerts
11c	Insurance Plan Name or Program Name	<b>Situational</b> – Complete if appropriate or leave blank.	
11d	Is There Another Health Benefit Plan?	<b>Situational</b> – Complete if appropriate or leave blank.	
12	Patient's or Authorized Person's Signature (Release of Records)	<b>Situational</b> – Complete if appropriate or leave blank.	
13	Patient's or Authorized Person's Signature (Payment)	<b>Situational</b> – Obtain signature if appropriate or leave blank.	
14	Date of Current Illness / Injury / Pregnancy	<b>Optional.</b>	
15	If Patient Has Had Same or Similar Illness Give First Date	<b>Optional.</b>	
16	Dates Patient Unable to Work in Current Occupation	<b>Optional.</b>	
17	Name of Referring Provider or Other Source	<p><b>Situational</b> – Complete if applicable. In the following circumstances, entering the name of the appropriate physician block is <b>required</b>:</p> <p>If services are performed by a CRNA, enter the name of the directing physician.</p> <p>If the recipient is a lock-in recipient and has been referred to the billing provider for services, enter the lock-in physician's name.</p> <p>If services are performed by an independent laboratory, enter the name of the referring physician.</p>	

Locator #	Description	Instructions	Alerts
17a	Unlabelled	<b>Situational</b> – If the recipient is linked to a Primary Care Physician, the 7-digit PCP referral authorization number is <b>required</b> to be entered.	<b>The PCP's 7-digit referral authorization number must be entered in block 17a.</b>
17b	NPI	<b>Optional.</b>	<b>The revised form accommodates the entry of the referring provider's NPI.</b>
18	Hospitalization Dates Related to Current Services	<b>Optional.</b>	
19	Reserved for Local Use	Reserved for future use. Do not use.	<b>Usage to be determined.</b>
20	Outside Lab?	<b>Optional.</b>	
21	Diagnosis or Nature of Illness or Injury	<b>Required</b> -- Enter the most current ICD-9 numeric diagnosis code and, if desired, narrative description.	
22	Medicaid Resubmission Code	<b>Optional.</b>	
23	Prior Authorization Number	<b>Situational</b> – Complete if appropriate or leave blank.  If the services being billed must be Prior Authorized, the PA number is <b>required</b> to be entered.	
24	Supplemental Information	<b>Situational</b> – Applies to the detail lines for drugs and biologicals only.  In addition to the procedure code, the <b>National Drug Code (NDC)</b> is <b>required</b> by the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 for <b>physician-administered drugs</b> and <b><u>shall be entered</u></b> in the <b>shaded</b> section of 24A through 24G. <b><u>Claims for these drugs shall include the NDC from the label of the product administered.</u></b>  To report additional information related to HCPCS codes billed in 24D, physicians and other providers who	<b>Physicians and other provider types who administer drugs and biologicals must enter this new drug-related information in the SHADED section of 24A – 24G of appropriate detail lines only.</b>

Locator #	Description	Instructions	Alerts
24 cont.		<p>administer drugs and biologicals must enter the <b>Qualifier N4</b> followed by the <b>NDC</b>. Do not enter a space between the qualifier and the NDC. Do not enter hyphens or spaces within the NDC.</p> <p>Providers should then leave one space then enter the appropriate <b>Unit Qualifier</b> (see below) and the <b>actual units administered</b>. Leave three spaces and then enter the brand name as the written description of the drug administered in the remaining space.</p> <p>The following qualifiers are to be used when reporting NDC units:</p> <p>F2 International Unit ML Milliliter GR Gram UN Unit</p>	<b>This information must be entered in addition to the procedure code(s).</b>
24A	Date(s) of Service	<p><b>Required</b> -- Enter the date of service for each procedure.</p> <p>Either six-digit (MM DD YY) or eight-digit (MM DD YYYY) format is acceptable.</p>	
24B	Place of Service	<b>Required</b> -- Enter the appropriate place of service code for the services rendered.	
24C	EMG	<p><b>Situational</b> – Complete if appropriate or leave blank.</p> <p>When required, the appropriate CommunityCARE emergency indicator is to be entered in this field.</p>	<b>This indicator was formerly entered in block 24I.</b>
24D	Procedures, Services, or Supplies	<b>Required</b> -- Enter the procedure code(s) for services rendered in the un-shaded area(s).	
24E	Diagnosis Pointer	<p><b>Required</b> – Indicate the most appropriate diagnosis for each procedure by entering the appropriate reference number (“1”, “2”, etc.) in this block.</p> <p>More than one diagnosis/reference number may be related to a single procedure code.</p>	

Locator #	Description	Instructions	Alerts
24F	\$Charges	<b>Required</b> -- Enter usual and customary charges for the service rendered.	
24G	Days or Units	<b>Required</b> -- Enter the number of units billed for the procedure code entered on the same line in 24D	
24H	EPSDT Family Plan	<b>Situational</b> – Leave blank or enter a “Y” if services were performed as a result of an EPSDT referral	
24I	I.D. Qual.	<b>Optional.</b>	<b>The revised form accommodates the entry of I.D. Qual.</b>
24J	Rendering Provider I.D. #	<b>Situational</b> – If appropriate, entering the Rendering Provider’s Medicaid Provider Number in the shaded portion of the block is <b>required</b> . Entering the Rendering Provider’s NPI in the non-shaded portion of the block is <b>optional</b> .	<b>The revised form accommodates the entry of NPIs for Rendering Providers</b>
25	Federal Tax I.D. Number	<b>Optional.</b>	
26	Patient’s Account No.	<b>Situational</b> – Enter the provider specific identifier assigned to the recipient. This number will appear on the Remittance Advice (RA). It may consist of letters and/or numbers and may be a maximum of 16 characters.	
27	Accept Assignment?	<b>Optional.</b> Claim filing acknowledges acceptance of Medicaid assignment.	
28	Total Charge	<b>Required</b> – Enter the total of all charges listed on the claim.	
29	Amount Paid	<b>Situational</b> – If TPL applies and block 9A is completed, enter the amount paid by the primary payor (including any contracted adjustments). Enter ‘0’ if the third party did not pay.  If TPL does not apply to the claim, leave blank.	

Locator #	Description	Instructions	Alerts
30	Balance Due	<b>Situational</b> – Enter the amount due after third party payment has been subtracted from the billed charges if payment has been made by a third party insurer.	
31	Signature of Physician or Supplier Including Degrees or Credentials  Date	<b>Required</b> -- The claim form <b>MUST</b> be signed. The practitioner or the practitioner's authorized representative must sign the form. Signature stamps or computer-generated signatures are acceptable, but must be initialed by the practitioner or authorized representative. If this signature does not have original initials, the claim will be returned unprocessed.  <b>Required</b> -- Enter the date of the signature.	
32	Service Facility Location Information	<b>Situational</b> – Complete as appropriate or leave blank.	
32a	NPI	<b>Optional.</b>	<b>The revised form accommodates entry of the Service Location NPI.</b>
32b	Unlabelled	<b>Situational</b> – Complete if appropriate or leave blank.  When the billing provider is a CommunityCARE enrolled PCP, indicate the site number of the Service Location. The provider must enter the <b>Qualifier LU</b> followed by the <b>three digit site number</b> . Do not enter a space between the qualifier and site number (example "LU001", "LU002", etc.)	<b>If PCP, enter Site Number and Qualifier of the service location.</b>
33	Billing Provider Info & Ph #	<b>Required</b> -- Enter the provider name, address including zip code and telephone number.	



Locator #	Description	Instructions	Alerts
33a	NPI	Optional.	The revised form accommodates the entry of the Billing's Provider's NPI.
33b	Unlabelled	<b>Required</b> – Enter the billing provider's 7-digit Medicaid ID number.	Format change with addition of 33a and 33b for provider numbers.

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## HEALTH INSURANCE CLAIM FORM

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1. MEDICARE <input type="checkbox"/> MEDICAID <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRICARE <input type="checkbox"/> CHAMPVA <input type="checkbox"/> GROUP <input type="checkbox"/> FECA <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER <input type="checkbox"/> (Medicare #) (Medicaid #) (Sponsor's SSN) (Member ID#) (SSN or ID) (SSN) (ID)										1a. INSURED'S I.D. NUMBER (For Program in item 1) <b>1234567891234</b>									
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## UNISYS 213 ADJUSTMENT/VOID FORM

The Unisys 213 adjustment/void is used to adjust or void incorrect payments on the CMS-1500. These forms may be obtained from Unisys by calling Provider Relations at (800) 473-2783. Electronic submitters may electronically submit adjustment/void claims.

### FORM COMPLETION

Only **one** (1) control number can be adjusted or voided on each 213 form.

Only an **approved claim** can be adjusted or voided.

Blocks 26 and 27 must contain the claim's most recently approved control number and R.A. date. For example:

1. A claim is approved on the R.A. dated 07/17/07, ICN 7266156789000.
2. The claim is adjusted on the R.A. dated 12/11/07, ICN 7035126742100.
3. If the claim requires further adjustment or needs to be voided, the most recently approved control number (7035126742100) and R.A. date (12/11/07) must be used.

Provider numbers and recipient Medicaid ID numbers cannot be adjusted. They must be voided, then resubmitted.

**Adjustments:** To file an adjustment, the provider should complete the adjustment as it appears on the original claim form, **changing the item that was in error to show the way the claim should have been billed**. The approved adjustment will replace the approved original and will be listed under the "adjustment" column on the R.A. The original payment will be taken back on the same R.A. in the "previously paid" column.

**Voids:** To file a void, the provider must enter all the information from the original claim **exactly as it appeared on the original claim**. When the void claim is approved, it will be listed under the "void" column of the R.A. and a corrected claim may be submitted (if applicable).

Only one (1) claim line can be adjusted or voided on each adjustment/void form.

213 Adjustment/void forms should be mailed to the following address for processing:

**Unisys  
P.O. Box 91020  
Baton Rouge, LA 70821**

An example of a correctly completed 213 form is shown on the following pages. Only the blocks that are completed are required for claims processing.

## 213 ADJUSTMENT/VOID FORM INSTRUCTIONS

- \*1. ADJ/VOID—Check the appropriate block.
- \*2. Patient's Name
  - a. Adjust—Print the name exactly as it appears on the original claim if not adjusting this information.
  - b. Void—Print the name exactly as it appears on the original claim.
- 3. Patient's Date of Birth
  - a. Adjust—Print the date exactly as it appears on the original claim if not adjusting this information.
  - b. Void—Print the name exactly as it appears on the original claim.
- \*4. Medicaid ID Number—Enter the 13 digit recipient ID number.
- 5. Patient's Address and Telephone Number
  - a. Adjust—Print the address exactly as it appears on the original claim.
  - b. Void—Print the address exactly as it appears on the original claim.
- 6. Patient's Sex
  - a. Adjust—Print this information exactly as it appears on the original claim if not adjusting this information.
  - b. Void—Print this information exactly as it appears on the original claim.
- 7. Insured's Name—Leave blank.
- 8. Patient's Relationship to Insured—Leave blank.
- 9. Insured's Group No.—Complete if appropriate or blank.
- 10. Other Health Insurance Coverage—Complete with 6-digit TPL carrier code if appropriate or leave blank.
- 11. Was Condition Related to—Leave blank.
- 12. Insured's Address—Leave blank.
- 13. Date of—Leave blank.
- 14. Date First Consulted You for This Condition—Leave blank.
- 15. Has Patient Ever had Same or Similar Symptoms—Leave blank.
- 16. Date Patient Able to Return to Work—Leave blank.

17. Dates of Total Disability-Dates of Partial Disability—Leave blank.
18. Name of Referring Physician or Other Source—Leave this space blank.
- 18A. Referring ID Number – Enter the CommunityCARE authorization number if applicable or leave blank.
19. For Services Related to Hospitalization Give Hospitalization Dates—Leave blank.
20. Name and Address of Facility Where Services Rendered (if other than home or office)—Leave blank.
21. Was Laboratory Work Performed Outside of Office—Leave blank.
- \*22. Diagnosis of Nature of Illness
  - a. Adjust—Print the information exactly as it appears on the original claim if not adjusting the information.
  - b. Void—Print the information exactly as it appears on the original claim.
23. Attending Number—Enter the attending number submitted on original claim, if any, or leave this space blank.
24. Prior Authorization #—Enter the PA number if applicable or leave blank.
- \*25. A through F
  - a. Adjust—Print the information exactly as it appears on the original claim if not adjusting the information.
  - b. Void—Print the information exactly as it appears on the original claim.
- \*26. Control Number—Print the correct Control Number as shown on the Remittance Advice.
- \*27. Date of Remittance Advice that Listed Claim was Paid—Enter MM DD YY from RA form.
- \*28. Reasons for Adjustment—Check the appropriate box if applicable, and write a brief narrative that describes why this adjustment is necessary.
- \*29. Reasons for Void—Check the appropriate box if applicable, and write a brief narrative that describes why this void is necessary.
- \*30. Signature of Physician or Supplier—All Adjustment/Void forms must be signed.
- \*31. Physician's or Supplier's Name, Address, Zip Code and Telephone Number—Enter the requested information appropriately plus the seven (7) digit Medicaid provider number. *The form will be returned if this information is not entered.*
32. Patient's Account Number—Enter the patient's provider-assigned account number.

Marked (\*) items must be completed or form will be returned.

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## COMMUNITYCARE BASICS FOR NON-PCPS

### Program Description

CommunityCARE is operated as a State Plan option as published in the Louisiana Register volume 32: number 3 (March 2006). It is a system of comprehensive health care based on a primary care case management (PCCM) model. CommunityCARE links Medicaid eligibles with a primary care physician (PCP) that serves as their medical home.

### Recipients

Participation in the CommunityCARE program is mandatory for most Medicaid eligibles. Currently, seventy-five to eighty percent of all Medicaid eligibles are linked to a primary care provider. Recipients not linked to a CommunityCARE PCP may continue to receive services without a referral/authorization just as they did before CommunityCARE. Those recipient types that are **EXEMPT** from participation in CommunityCARE, and will not be linked to a PCP, are listed below. (This list is subject to change):

- Residents of long term care nursing facilities, or intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded (ICF/MR) such as state developmental centers and group homes
- Recipients who are 65 or older
- Recipients with Medicare benefits, including dual eligibles
- Foster children or children receiving adoption assistance
- Hospice recipients
- Office of Youth Development recipients (children in State custody)
- Recipients in the Medicaid physician/pharmacy 'Lock-In' program (recipients that are pharmacy-only 'Lock-In' are not exempt)
- Recipients who have other primary insurance with physician benefits, including HMOs
- Recipients who have an eligibility period of less than 3 months
- Recipients with retroactive only eligibility (CommunityCARE does not make retroactive linkages)
- BHSF case-by-case approved "Medically High Risk" exemptions
- Native American Indians residing in parish of reservation (currently Jefferson Davis, St. Mary, LaSalle and Avoyelles parishes)
- Recipients in pregnant woman eligibility categories
- Recipients in the PACE program
- SSI recipients under the age of 19
- Recipients under the age of 19 in the NOW and Children's Choice waiver programs

**If a CommunityCARE enrollee's Medicaid type changes to one that is exempt from CommunityCARE, the PCP linkage will end either at the end of the month that the enrollee's Medicaid file is updated with the new information, or at the end of the second following month, depending on when the file is updated.**



## How to Identify CommunityCARE Enrollees

- CommunityCARE enrollees may be identified through any of the Medicaid eligibility verification systems:
  - eMEVS (the Unisys website – [www.lamedicaid.com](http://www.lamedicaid.com)),
  - REVS (telephone recipient eligibility verification system),
  - MEVS (swipe card Medicaid eligibility verification system).

**NOTE: When a Medicaid eligible requests services, it is the Medicaid provider's responsibility to verify recipient eligibility and CommunityCARE enrollment status before providing services by accessing the REVS, MEVS, or eMEVS.**

- When providers check recipient eligibility through REVS, MEVS, or eMEVS, the system will list the PCP's name and telephone number **if** the recipient is linked to a CommunityCARE PCP. If there is no CommunityCARE PCP information given, then the recipient is NOT linked to a PCP and may receive services without a referral/authorization.

## Primary Care Physician

As part of the PCPs' care coordination responsibilities they are obligated to ensure that referral authorizations for medically necessary healthcare services which they can not/do not provide are furnished promptly and without compromise to quality of care. The PCP also shall not unreasonably withhold or deny valid requests for referrals/authorizations that are made in accordance with CommunityCARE policy. The PCP also shall not require that the requesting provider complete the referral authorization form. The State encourages PCPs to issue appropriately requested referrals/authorizations as quickly as possible, taking into consideration the urgency of the enrollee's medical needs, not to exceed a period of 10 days. This time frame was designed to provide guidance for responding to requests for post-authorizations. Deliberately holding referrals/ authorizations because of the 10 day guideline is inappropriate.

The PCP referral/authorization requirement does not replace other Medicaid policies that are in existence. For example, if the service requires prior authorization, the provider must still obtain prior authorization **in addition to** obtaining the referrals/authorizations from the PCP.

There are some Medicaid covered services, which do not require referrals/authorizations from the CommunityCARE PCP. The current list of exempt services are as follows:

- Chiropractic service upon KIDMED referrals/authorizations, ages 0-21
- Dental services for children, ages 0-21 (billed on the ADA claim form)
- Dental Services for Pregnant Women (ages 21-59), billed on the ADA claim form
- Dentures for adults
- The three higher level (CPT 99283, 99284, 99285) emergency room visits and associated physician services (NOTE: The two lower level Emergency room visits (CPT 99281, 99282) and associated physician services do not require prior authorization, but **do require POST authorization**. Refer to "Emergency Services" in the CommunityCARE Handbook.
- Inpatient Care that has been pre-certed (this also applies to public hospitals even without pre-certification for inpatient stays): hospital, physician, and ancillary services billed with inpatient place of service

- EPSDT Health Services – Rehabilitative type services such as occupational, physical and speech/language therapy delivered to EPSDT recipients through schools or early intervention centers or the EarlySteps program
- Family planning services
- Prenatal/Obstetrical services
- Services provided through the Home and Community-Based Waiver programs
- Targeted case management
- Mental Health Rehabilitation (privately owned clinics)
- Mental Health Clinics (State facilities)
- Neonatology services while in the hospital
- Ophthalmologist and Optometrist services (age 0-21)
- Pharmacy
- Inpatient Psychiatric services (distinct part and freestanding psychiatric hospital)
- Psychiatrists services
- Transportation services
- Hemodialysis
- Hospice services
- Specific outpatient laboratory/radiology services
- Immunization for children under age 21 (Office of Public Health and their affiliated providers)
- WIC services (Office of Public Health WIC Clinics)
- Services provided by School Based Health Centers to recipients age 10 and over
- Tuberculosis clinic services (Office of Public Health)
- STD clinic services (Office of Public Health)
- Specific lab and radiology codes
- Children's Special Health Services (CSHS) provided by OPH

## Important CommunityCARE Referral/Authorization Information

- Any provider other than the recipient's PCP must obtain a referral from the recipient's PCP, **prior to rendering services**, in order to receive payment from Medicaid. Any provider who provides a non-exempt, non-emergent (routine) service for a CommunityCARE enrollee, without obtaining the appropriate referral/authorization prior to the service being provided risks non-payment by Medicaid. **DHH and Unisys will not assist providers with obtaining referrals/authorizations for care not requested in accordance with CommunityCARE policy.** PCPs are not required to respond to requests for referrals/authorizations for non-emergent/routine care not made in accordance with CommunityCARE policy: i.e. requests made after the service has been rendered.
- When ancillary services such as DME or Home Health are ordered by a provider other than the PCP, the ordering provider is responsible for obtaining the CommunityCARE referral/authorization. For example, when a patient is being discharged from the hospital it is the responsibility of the discharging physician/hospital discharge planner to coordinate with the patient's PCP to obtain the appropriate referral/authorization. The hospital physician/discharge planner, not the ancillary provider, has all of the necessary documentation needed by the PCP. The ancillary provider should use one of the Medicaid Eligibility Verification systems to confirm that the referral/authorization they

received is from the PCP that the recipient was linked to on the date of service. The ancillary provider cannot receive reimbursement from Medicaid without the appropriate PCP referral/authorization.

- Depending on the medical needs of the enrollee as determined by the PCP, referrals/authorizations for specialty care should be written to cover a specific condition and/or a specific number of visits and/or a specific period of time not to exceed six months. There are exceptions to the six month limit for specific situations, as set forth in the CommunityCARE Handbook. When the PCP refers a recipient to a specialist for treatment of a specific condition, it is appropriate for the specialist to share a copy of the PCP's written referral/authorization for additional services that may be required in the course of treating **that** condition.

**Examples:**

- An oncologist has received a written referral/authorization from the PCP to provide treatment to his CommunityCARE patient. During the course of treatment, the oncologist sends a patient to the hospital for a blood transfusion. The oncologist should send the hospital a copy of the written referral/authorization that he received from the PCP. **The hospital SHOULD NOT require a separate referral/authorization from the PCP for the transfusion.**

However, if the oncologist discovers a **new** condition not related to the condition for which the original referral/authorization was written, and that new condition requires the services of a different specialist, the PCP must be advised. The PCP would then determine whether the enrollee should be referred for the new condition.

- The PCP refers his CommunityCARE patient to a surgeon for an outpatient procedure and sends the surgeon a written referral/authorization. The surgeon must provide a copy of that written referral/authorization to any other provider whose services may be needed during that episode of care (i.e. DME, Home Health, anesthesia).
- Recipients **may not** be held responsible for claims denied due to provider errors or failure to follow Medicaid policies/procedures, such as **failure to obtain a PCP referral/authorization**, prior authorization or pre-cert, failure to timely file, incorrect TPL carrier code, etc.

**General Assistance – all numbers are available Mon-Fri, 8am-5pm**

**Providers:**

- Unisys - (800) 473-2783 or (225) 924-5040 - CommunityCARE Program policy, procedures, and problems, complaints concerning CommunityCARE
- ACS - (800) 259-4444 PCP - assignment for CommunityCARE recipients, inquiries related to monitoring, certification
- ACS - (877) 455-9955 – Specialty Care Resource Line - assistance with locating a specialist in their area who accepts Medicaid.

**Enrollees:**

Medicaid provides several options for enrollees to obtain assistance with their Medicaid enrollment. Providers should make note of these numbers and share them with recipients.

- CommunityCARE Enrollee Hotline (800) 259-4444: Provides assistance with questions or complaints about CommunityCARE or their PCP. It is also the number recipients call to select or change their PCP.
- Specialty Care Resource Line (877) 455-9955: Provides assistance with locating a specialist in their area who accepts Medicaid.
- Louisiana Medicaid Nurse Helpline (866) 529-1681: Is a resource for recipients to speak with a nurse 24/7 to obtain assistance and information on a wide array of health-related topics.
- [www.la-communitycare.com](http://www.la-communitycare.com)
- [www.lamedicaid.com](http://www.lamedicaid.com)

## ELECTRONIC DATA INTERCHANGE (EDI)

### Claims Submission

Electronic data interchange submission is the preferred method of submitting Medicaid claims to Unisys. With electronic data, a provider or a third party contractor (billing agent) submits Medicaid claims to Unisys on a computer encoded magnetic tape, diskette or via telecommunications.

Each claim undergoes the editing common to all claims, e.g., verification of dates and balancing. Each type of claim has unique edits consistent with the requirements outlined in the provider manuals. All claims received via electronic data must satisfy the criteria listed in the manual for that type of claim.

Advantages of submitting claims electronically include increased cash flow, improved claim control, decrease in time for receipt of payment, automation of receivables information, improved claim reporting by observation of errors and reduction of errors through pre-editing claims information.

### Certification Forms

Any submitter - individual providers, clearinghouse, billing agents, etc. - that submits at least one claim electronically in a given year is required to submit an Annual EDI Certification Form. This form is then kept on file to cover all submissions within the calendar year. It must be signed by an authorized representative of the provider and must have an original signature (no stamps or initials.)

Third Party Billers are required to submit a Certification Form including a list of provider(s) name(s) and Medicaid Provider numbers. Additionally, all Third Party Billers **MUST** obtain a "Professional, Pharmacy, Hospital or KIDMED Services Certification" form on which the provider has attested to the truth, accuracy and completeness of the claim information. These forms **MUST** be maintained for a period of five years. This information must be furnished to the agency, the DHH Secretary, or the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit upon request.

Required Certification forms may be obtained from [lamedicaid.com](http://lamedicaid.com). Under the Provider Enrollment link, click on Forms to Update Existing Provider Information.

**Failure to submit the Annual Certification Form will result in deactivation of the submitter number. Once the Cert is received, the number will be reactivated. There will be a delay if the number is deactivated thus preventing timely payment to your providers.** Failure to correctly complete the Certification Form will result in the form being returned for correction.

To contact the EDI Department at Unisys, call (225) 216-6000 and select option 2. Providers may write to Unisys EDI Department, P.O. Box 91025, Baton Rouge, LA 70821.

## Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) General Information

Please review the entire General EDI Companion Guide before completing any forms or calling the EDI Department.

With the exception of Non-Ambulance Transportation, all claim types may be submitted as approved HIPAA compliant 837 transactions.

Non-Ambulance Transportation claims may be submitted under proprietary specifications (not as HIPAA-compliant 837 transactions).

Any number of claims can be included in production file submissions. There is no minimum number.

EDI Testing is required for all submitters (including KIDMED) before they are approved to submit claims for production unless the testing requirement has been completed by the Vendor. LTC providers must test prior to submission to production.

Non-Ambulance Transportation submitters who file via modem **MUST** wait 24 hours, excluding weekends, between file submissions to allow time for processing.

### Enrollment Requirements For EDI Submission

- **Submitters wishing to submit EDI 837 transactions without using a Third Party Biller** - complete the **PROVIDER'S ELECTION TO EMPLOY ELECTRONIC MEDIA SUBMISSION OF CLAIMS** (EDI Contract).
- **Submitters wishing to submit EDI 837 transactions through a Third Party Biller or Clearinghouse** – complete the **PROVIDER'S ELECTION TO EMPLOY ELECTRONIC MEDIA SUBMISSION OF CLAIMS** (EDI Contract) **and** a Limited Power of Attorney.
- **Third Party Billers or Clearinghouses** (billers for multiple providers) are required to submit a completed HCFA 1513 – Disclosure of Ownership form and return it with a completed EDI Contract and a Limited Power of Attorney for their first client to Unisys Provider Enrollment.

### Enrollment Requirements For 835 Electronic Remittance Advices

- All EDI billers have the option of signing up for 835 Transactions (Electronic Remittance Advice). This allows EDI billers to download their remittance advices weekly.
- 835 Transactions may not contain all information printed on the hardcopy RA, ex. blood deductible, patient account number, etc.
- To request 835 Transactions – Electronic Remittance Advice, contact Unisys EDI Department at (225) 216-6000 ext. 2.

## **Electronic Adjustments/Voids**

Adjustments and voids can be submitted electronically. If your present software installation does not offer this option, please contact your software vendor to discuss adding this capability to your software.

### **SUBMISSION DEADLINES**

#### **Regular Business Weeks**

Magnetic Tape and Diskettes	4:30 P.M. each Wednesday
KIDMED Submissions (All Media)	4:30 P.M. each Wednesday
Telecommunications (Modem)	10:00 A.M. each Thursday

#### **Thanksgiving Week**

Magnetic Tape and Diskettes	4:30 P.M. Tuesday, 11/20/07
KIDMED Submissions	4:30 P.M. Tuesday, 11/20/07
Telecommunications (Modem)	10:00 A.M. Wednesday, 11/21/07

### **Important Reminders For EDI Submission**

Denied claims may be resubmitted electronically unless the denial code states otherwise. This includes claims that have produced a denied claim turnaround document (DTA). Claims with attachments must be submitted hardcopy.

- If errors exist on a file, the file may be rejected when submitted. Errors should be corrected and the file resubmitted for processing.
- The total amount of the submitted file must equal the amount indicated on the Unisys response file.
- **All claims submitted must meet timely filing guidelines.**

## HARD COPY REQUIREMENTS

DHH has made the decision to continue requiring hardcopy claim submissions for all existing hardcopy attachments, as indicated in the table below.

HARDCOPY CLAIM(S) & REQUIRED ATTACHMENT(S)	BILLING REQUIREMENTS
Spend Down Recipient – 110MNP Spend Down Form	Continue hardcopy billing
Retroactive eligibility – copy of ID card or letter from parish office, BHSF staff	Continue hardcopy billing
Recipient eligibility Issues – copy of MEVS printout, cover letter	Continue hardcopy billing
Timely filing – letter/other proof i.e., RA page	Continue hardcopy billing

**PLEASE NOTE:** when a provider submits a claim, which has more than one page of procedures and charges, each claim page must be totaled and attachments must be submitted with each page of the claim.



## CLAIMS PROCESSING REMINDERS

Unisys Louisiana Medicaid images and stores all Louisiana Medicaid paper claims on-line. This process allows the Unisys Provider Relations Department to respond more efficiently to claim inquiries by facilitating the retrieval and research of submitted claims.

Electronic claims submission is the preferred method for submitting claims; however, if claims cannot be submitted electronically, prepare paper claim forms according to the following instructions to ensure appropriate and timely processing:

- Submit an original claim form whenever possible. Claim forms **must be two sided** documents and include the standard information on the back regarding fraud and abuse. If a copy is submitted, it should be legible, and not too light or too dark.
- Enter information within the appropriate boxes and align forms in your printer to ensure the correct horizontal and vertical placement of data elements within the appropriate boxes.
- Providers who want to draw the attention of a reviewer to a specific part of a report or attachment are asked to circle that particular paragraph or sentence. **DO NOT use a highlighter to draw attention to specific information.**
- Paper claims must be legible and in good condition for scanning into our document imaging system.
- **Don't forget to sign and date your claim form if the claim form requires a signature. Unisys will accept stamped or computer-generated signature, but they must be initialed by authorized personnel.**
- Continuous feed forms must be torn apart before submission.
- Use high quality printer ribbons or cartridges-black ink only.
- Use 10-12 point font sizes. We recommend font styles Courier 12, Arial 11, and Times New Roman 11.
- Do not use italic, bold, or underline features.
- Claims submitted should be two-sided documents and include the standard information on the back regarding fraud and abuse.
- **Do not use white out or a marking pen to omit claim line entries. To correct an error, draw a line through the error and initial it. Use a black ballpoint pen (medium point).**

**The recipient's 13-digit Medicaid ID number must be used to bill claims. The CCN number from the plastic card is NOT acceptable.**

## Attachments

All claim attachments should be standard 8 1/2 x 11 sheets. Any attachments larger or smaller than this size should be copied onto standard sized paper. If it is necessary to attach documentation to a claim, the documents must be placed directly behind each claim that requires this documentation. **Therefore, it may be necessary to make multiple copies of the documents if they must be placed with multiple claims.**

## Changes to Claim Forms

Louisiana Medicaid policy prohibits Unisys staff from changing any information on a provider's claim form. Any claims requiring changes must be made prior to submission. Please do not ask Unisys staff to make any changes on your behalf. Claims with insufficient information are rejected prior to keying.

## Data Entry

Data entry clerks do not interpret information on claim forms - data is keyed as it appears on the claim form. If the data is incorrect, difficult to read, or **IS NOT IN THE CORRECT LOCATION**, the claim will not process correctly.

## Rejected Claims

Each year, Unisys returns more than 250,000 claims that are illegible or incomplete. These claims are not processed and are returned along with a cover letter stating why the claim(s) is/are rejected. The most common reasons for rejection are listed as follows:

- A signature or handwritten initials were missing (**except UB-04 claim forms**)
- The provider number was missing or incomplete

The criteria for legible claims are:

- All claim forms are clear and in good condition
- All information is readable to the normal eye
- All information is centered in the appropriate block
- All essential information is complete

## Correct Claims Submission

We have learned that some providers are incorrectly submitting claims directly to DHH at P.O. Box 91030 rather than correctly submitting claims to Unisys to the appropriate post office box for the program type. Unless specifically directed to submit claims directly to DHH, providers should cease this practice and submit claims to the appropriate Unisys post office box for processing. The correct post office boxes can be found on the following page of this packet and in training materials posted on the **Tracking** link of the [www.lamedicaid.com](http://www.lamedicaid.com) website.

## IMPORTANT UNISYS ADDRESSES

Please be aware that **different post office boxes** are used for the various Medicaid programs. If you are submitting an original “clean” hard copy claim for payment or adjustments/voids, please utilize the following post office boxes and zip codes.

<b>Type of Claim</b>	<b>P.O. Box</b>	<b>Zip Code</b>
Pharmacy	91019	70821
<div style="text-align: center;"><u>CMS-1500 Claims</u></div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>                     Case Management                      Chiropractic                      Durable Medical Equipment                      EPSDT Health Services                      FQHC                      Hemodialysis Professional Services                 </div> <div>                     Independent Lab                      Mental Health Rehabilitation                      PCS                      Professional                      Rural Health Clinic                      Substance Abuse and Mental Health Clinic                      Waiver                 </div> </div>	91020	70821
Inpatient & Outpatient Hospitals, Freestanding Psychiatric Hospitals, Hemodialysis Facility, Hospice, Long Term Care	91021	70821
Dental, Home Health, Rehabilitation, Transportation (Ambulance and Non-ambulance)	91022	70821
ALL Medicare Crossovers and All Medicare Adjustments and Voids	91023	70821
KIDMED	14849	70898

Unisys also has different post office boxes for various departments. They are as follows:

<b>Department</b>	<b>P.O. Box</b>	<b>Zip Code</b>
EMC, Unisys business & Miscellaneous Correspondence	91025	70898
Prior Authorization	14919	70898
Provider Enrollment	80159	70898
Provider Relations	91024	70821

## TIMELY FILING GUIDELINES

In order to be reimbursed for services rendered, all providers must comply with the following filing limits set by Medicaid of Louisiana:

- Straight Medicaid claims must be filed within 12 months of the date of service.
- KIDMED screening claims (KM-3 forms or 837P with K-3 segment) must be filed within 60 days from the date of service.
- Claims for recipients who have Medicare and Medicaid coverage must be filed with the Medicare fiscal intermediary within 12 months of the date of service in order to meet Medicaid's timely filing regulations.
- Claims which fail to cross over via tape and have to be filed hard copy **MUST** be adjudicated within six months from the date on the Medicare Explanation of Medicare Benefits (EOMB), provided that they were filed with Medicare within one year from the date of service.
- Claims with third-party payment must be filed to Medicaid within 12 months of the date of service.

### Dates of Service Past Initial Filing Limit

Medicaid claims received after the initial timely filing limits cannot be processed unless the provider is able to furnish proof of timely filing. Such proof may include the following:

A Claims Status Inquiry (e-CSI) screen print indicating that the claim was processed within the specified time frame.

OR

A Remittance Advice indicating that the claim was processed within the specified time frame.

OR

Correspondence from either the state or parish Office of Eligibility Determination concerning the claim and/or the eligibility of the recipient.

**NOTE 1:** All proof of timely filing documentation must reference the individual recipient and date of service. RA pages and e-CSI screen prints must contain the specific recipient information, provider information, and date of service to be considered as proof of timely filing.

**NOTE 2:** At this time Louisiana Medicaid **does not** accept printouts of Medicaid Electronic Remittance Advice (ERA) screens as proof of timely filing. Reject letters are not considered proof of timely filing as they do not reference a specific

individual recipient or date of service. Postal "certified" receipts and receipts from other delivery carriers are not acceptable proof of timely filing.

To ensure accurate processing when resubmitting the claim and documentation, providers must be certain that the claim is legible.

### **Submitting Claims for Two-Year Override Consideration**

Providers requesting two-year overrides for claims with dates of service over two years old must provide proof of timely filing and must assure that each claim meets at least one of the three criteria listed below:

- The recipient was certified for retroactive Medicaid benefits, and the claim was filed within 12 months of the date retroactive eligibility was granted.
- The recipient won a Medicare or SSI appeal in which he or she was granted retroactive Medicaid Benefits.
- The failure of the claim to pay was the fault of the Louisiana Medicaid Program rather than the provider's each time the claim was adjudicated.

**All provider requests for two-year overrides must be mailed directly to:**

**Unisys Provider Relations Correspondence Unit  
P.O. Box 91024  
Baton Rouge, La 70821**

The provider must submit the claim with a cover letter describing the criteria that has been met for consideration along with all supporting documentation. Supporting documentation includes but is not limited to proof of timely filing and evidence of the criteria met for consideration.

Claims submitted without a cover letter, proof of timely filing, and/or supporting documentation will be returned to the provider without consideration.

Any request submitted directly to DHH staff will be routed to Unisys Provider Relations.

**NOTE: Claims over two years old will only be considered for processing if submitted in writing as indicated above. These claims may be discussed via phone to clarify policy and/or procedures, but they will not be pulled for research or processing consideration.**

## PROVIDER ASSISTANCE

The Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals and Unisys maintain a website to make information more accessible to LA Medicaid providers. At this online location, [www.lamedicaid.com](http://www.lamedicaid.com), providers can access information ranging from how to enroll as a Medicaid provider to directions for filling out a claim form.

Below are some of the most common topics found on the website:

[New Medicaid Information](#)  
[National Provider Identifier \(NPI\)](#)  
[Disaster](#)  
[Provider Training Materials](#)  
[Provider Web Account Registration Instructions](#)  
[Provider Support](#)  
[Billing Information](#)  
[Fee Schedules](#)  
[Provider Update / Remittance Advice Index](#)  
[Pharmacy](#)  
[Prescribing Providers](#)  
[Provider Enrollment](#)  
[Current Newsletter and RA](#)  
[Helpful Numbers](#)  
[Useful Links](#)  
[Forms/Files/User Guidelines](#)

- ☞ The website also contains a section for Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) that provide answers to commonly asked questions received by Provider Relations.

Along with the website, the Unisys Provider Relations Department is available to assist providers. This department consists of three units, (1) Telephone Inquiry Unit, (2) Correspondence Unit, and (3) Field Analyst. The following information addresses each unit and their responsibilities.

### Unisys Provider Relations Telephone Inquiry Unit

The telephone inquiry staff assists with inquiries such as obtaining policy and procedure information/clarification; ordering printed materials; billing denials/problems; requests for Field Analyst visits; etc.

**(800) 473-2783 or (225) 924-5040**  
**FAX: (225) 216-6334\***

\*Provider Relations will accept faxed information regarding provider inquiries on an **approved** case by case basis. However, faxed claims **are not acceptable** for processing.

The following menu options are available through the Unisys Provider Relations telephone inquiry phone numbers. Callers should have the 7-digit LA Medicaid provider number available to enter the system. Please listen to the menu options and press the appropriate key for assistance.

**Press #2 - To order printed materials only\*\***

Examples: Orders for provider manuals, Unisys claim forms, and provider newsletter reprints. To choose this option, press “2” on the telephone keypad. This option will allow providers to leave a message to request printed materials **only**. Please be sure to leave (1) the provider name, (2) provider number, (3) contact person, (4) complete mailing address, (5) phone number and (6) specific material requested.

- ☞ Only messages left in reference to printed materials will be processed when choosing this option. Please review the other options outlined in this section for assistance with other provider issues.
- ☞ Fee schedules, TPL carrier code lists, provider newsletters, provider workshop packets and enrollment packets may be found on the LA Medicaid website. Orders for these materials should be placed through this option **ONLY** if you do not have web access.
- ☞ Provider Relations staff mail each new provider a current copy of the provider manual and training packet for his program type upon enrollment as a Medicaid provider. An enrolled provider may also request a copy of the provider manual and training packet for the Medicaid program in which he is enrolled. A fee is charged for provider manuals and training packets ordered for non-providers (attorneys, billing agents, etc.) or by providers wanting a manual for a program for which they are not enrolled. All orders for provider manuals and training packets should be made by contacting the Provider Relations Telephone Inquiry Unit. Those requiring payment will be forwarded to the provider once payment is received.

**Provider Relations cannot assist recipients.** The telephone listing in the “Recipient Assistance” section found on page 80 should be used to direct Medicaid recipient inquiries appropriately. Providers should not give their Medicaid provider billing numbers to recipients for the purpose of contacting Unisys. Recipients with a provider number may be able to obtain information regarding the provider (last check date and amount, amounts paid to the provider, etc.) that would normally remain confidential.

**Press #3 - To verify recipient or provider eligibility; Medicare or other insurance information; Primary Care Physician information; or service limits.**

- Recipient eligibility
- Third Party (Insurance) Resources
- CommunityCARE
- Lock-In

**NOTE:** Providers should access eligibility information via the web-based application, e-MEVS (Medicaid Eligibility Verification System) on the Louisiana Medicaid website or MEVS vendor swipe card devices/software. Providers may also check eligibility via the Recipient Eligibility Verification System (REVS) at (800) 776-6323 or (225) 216-7387. Questions regarding an eligibility response may be directed to Provider Relations.

**Press #4** - To resolve a claims problem

Provider Relations staff are available to assist with resolving claim denials, clarifying denial codes, or resolving billing issues.

**NOTE:** Providers must use e-CSI to check the status of claims and e-CSI in conjunction with remittance advices to reconcile accounts.

**Press #5** – To obtain policy clarification, procedure code reimbursement verification, request a field analyst visit, or for other information.

## **Unisys Provider Relations Correspondence Group**

The Provider Relations Correspondence Unit is available to research and respond in writing to questions involving problem claims.

Providers who wish to submit problem claims for research and want to receive a written response, **must submit a cover letter** explaining the problem or question, a copy of the claim(s), and all pertinent documentation (e.g., copies of RA pages showing prior denials, recipient chart notes, copies of previously submitted claims, documentation verifying eligibility, etc.). A copy of the claim form along with applicable corrections/and or attachments must accompany all resubmissions.

All requests to the Correspondence Unit should be submitted to the following address:

**Unisys Provider Relations Correspondence Unit  
P. O. Box 91024  
Baton Rouge, LA 70821**

**NOTE:** Many providers submit claims that do not require special handling to the Provider Relations Department hoping to expedite processing of these claims. However, this actually delays claim processing, as the claims must pass through additional hands before reaching the appropriate processing area. In addition, it diverts productivity that would otherwise be devoted to researching and responding to provider requests for assistance with legitimate claim problems. Providers are asked to send claims that do not require special handling directly to the appropriate post office box for that claim type.

**Eligibility File Updates:** Provider Relations staff also handles requests to update recipient files with correct eligibility. Staff in this unit does not have direct access to eligibility files. Requests to update recipient files are forwarded to the Bureau of Health Services Financing by the Correspondence Unit, so these may take additional time for final resolution.



**TPL File Updates:** Requests to update Third Party Liability (TPL) should be directed to:

**DHH-Third Party Liability  
Medicaid Recovery Unit  
P.O. Box 91030  
Baton Rouge, LA 70821**

**“Clean” Claims:** “Clean claims” should not be submitted to Provider Relations as this delays processing. Please submit “clean claims” to the appropriate P.O. Box. A complete list is available in this training packet under “Unisys Claims Filing Addresses”. **CLAIMS RECEIVED WITHOUT A COVER LETTER WILL BE CONSIDERED “CLEAN” CLAIMS AND WILL NOT BE RESEARCHED.**

**Claims Over Two Years Old:** Providers are expected to resolve claims issues within two years from the date of service on the claims. The process through which claims over two years old will be considered for re-processing is discussed in this training packet under the section, Timely Filing Guidelines. In instances where the claim meets the DHH established criteria, a detailed letter of explanation, the hard copy claim, and required supporting documentation must be submitted **in writing** to the Provider Relations Correspondence Unit at the address above. **These claims may not be submitted to DHH personnel and will not be researched from a telephone call to DHH or the Provider Inquiry Unit.**

### **Unisys Provider Relations Field Analysts**

Provider Relations Field Analysts are available to visit and train new providers and their office staff on site, upon request. Providers are encouraged to request Analyst assistance to help resolve complicated billing/claim denial issues and to help train their staff on Medicaid billing procedures. **However, since the Field Analysts routinely work in the field, they are not available to answer calls regarding eligibility, routine claim denials, and requests for material, or other policy documentation. These calls should not be directed to the Field Analysts but rather to the Unisys Provider Relations Telephone Inquiry Unit at (800) 473-2783 or (225) 924-5040.**

<b>FIELD ANALYST</b>	<b>PARISHES SERVED</b>	
<b>Kellie Conforto</b> (225) 216-6269	Jefferson Orleans Plaquemines	St. Bernard St. Tammany ( <b>Slidell Only</b> )
<b>Stacey Fairchild</b> (225) 216-6267	Ascension Assumption Calcasieu Cameron Jeff Davis Lafourche St. Charles	St. James St. John St. Martin ( <b>below Iberia</b> ) St. Mary Terrebonne Vermillion Beaumont (TX)
<b>Tracey Guidroz</b> (225) 216-6201	West Baton Rouge Iberville Tangipahoa St. Tammany ( <b>except Slidell</b> )	Washington Centerville (MS) McComb (MS) Woodville (MS)
<b>Ursula Mercer</b> (225) 216-6273	Bienville Bossier Caddo Caldwell Claiborne Catahoula Concordia East Carroll Franklin Jackson	LaSalle Lincoln Madison Morehouse Ouachita Richland Tensas Union Webster West Carroll Vicksburg (MS) Marshall (TX)
<b>Kelli Nolan</b> (225) 216-6260	East Baton Rouge East Feliciana Livingston	Pointe Coupee St. Helena West Feliciana
<b>LaQuanta Robinson</b> (225) 216-6249	Acadia Allen Evangeline Iberia	Lafayette St. Landry St. Martin ( <b>above Iberia</b> )
<b>Sherry Wilkerson</b> (225) 216-6306	Avoyelles Beauregard DeSoto Grant Natchitoches Rapides	Red River Sabine Vernon Winn Jasper (TX) Natchez (MS)

## Provider Relations Reminders

The Unisys Provider Relations inquiry staff strives to respond to provider inquiries quickly and efficiently. There are a number of ways in which the provider community can assist the staff in responding to inquiries in an even more timely and efficient manner:

- Providers should have the following information ready when contacting Provider Relations regarding claim inquiries:
  - The correct 7-digit LA Medicaid provider number
  - The 13-digit Recipient's Medicaid ID number
  - The date of service
  - Any other information, such as procedure code and billed charge, that will help identify the claim in question
  - The Remittance Advice showing disposition of the specific claim in question
- Obtain the name of the phone representative you are speaking to in case further communication is necessary.
- Because of the large volume of incoming provider calls, Telephone Inquiry staff are not allowed to be put on hold after answering a call.
- PLEASE review and reconcile the remittance advice before calling Provider Relations concerning claims issues. Some providers call Provider Relations frequently, asking questions that could be answered if the RA was reviewed thoroughly. However, providers are encouraged to call Provider Relations with questions concerning printed policy, procedures, and billing problems.
- **Provider Relations WILL NOT reconcile provider accounts or work old accounts for providers. Calls to check claim status tie up phone lines and reduce the number of legitimate questions and inquiries that can be answered. It is each provider's responsibility to establish and maintain a system of tracking claim billing, payment, and denial. This includes thoroughly reviewing the weekly remittance advice, correcting claim errors as indicated by denial error codes, and resubmitting claims which do not appear on the remittance advice within 30 - 40 days for hard copy claims and three weeks for EDI claims.**
- **Providers can check claim status through the e-CSI (Claim Status Inquiry) web application found in the secure area of the Louisiana Medicaid website at [www.lamedicaid.com](http://www.lamedicaid.com). We are required to use HIPAA compliant denial and reference codes and descriptions for this application. If the information displayed on e-CSI is not specific enough to determine the detailed information needed to resolve the claim inquiry, refer to the hard copy remittance advice. The date of the remittance advice is displayed in the e-CSI response. The hard copy remittance advice continues to carry the Louisiana specific error codes. Providers must ensure that their internal procedures include a mechanism that allows those individuals checking claims statuses to have access to e-CSI or hard copy remittance advices for this purpose. This includes provider's direct staff and billing agents or vendors. A LA Medicaid/HIPAA Error Code Crosswalk is available on the website by accessing the link, Forms/Files.**

- If a provider has a large number of claims to reconcile, it may be to the provider's advantage to order a provider history. Please see the Ordering Information section for instructions on ordering a provider history.
- **Provider Relations cannot assist recipients.** The telephone listing in the "Recipient Assistance" section found in this packet should be used to direct Medicaid recipient inquiries appropriately. Providers should not give their Medicaid provider billing numbers to recipients for the purpose of contacting Unisys. Recipients with a provider number may be able to obtain information regarding the provider (last check date and amount, amounts paid to the provider, etc.) that would normally remain confidential.
- Providers who wish to submit problem claims for a written response **must submit a cover letter** explaining the problem or question.
- Calls regarding eligibility, claim issues, requests for Unisys claim forms, manuals, or other policy documentation should not be directed to the Field Analysts but rather to the Unisys Provider Relations Telephone Inquiry Unit.

## **DHH PROGRAM MANAGER REQUESTS**

Questions regarding the rationale for Medicaid policy, procedure coverage and reimbursement, medical justification, written clarification of policy that is not documented, etc. should be directed in writing to the manager of your specific program:

Program Manager - (i.e. Professional, DME, Hospital, etc.)  
 Department of Health and Hospitals  
 P.O. Box 91030  
 Baton Rouge, LA 70821

## PHONE AND FAX NUMBERS FOR PROVIDER ASSISTANCE

Department	Toll Free Phone	Phone	Fax
<b>REVS - Automated Eligibility Verification</b>	(800) 776-6323	(225) 216-7387	
<b>Provider Relations</b>	(800) 473-2783	(225) 924-5040	(225) 216-6334
<b>POS (Pharmacy) - Unisys</b>	(800) 648-0790	(225) 216-6381	(225) 216-6334
<b>Electronic Media Claims (EMC) - Unisys</b>		(225) 216-6000 option 2	(225) 216-6335
<b>Prior Authorization (DME, Rehab) - Unisys</b>	(800) 488-6334	(225) 928-5263	(225) 929-6803
<b>Home Health P.A. - Unisys</b>	(800) 807-1320		(225) 216-6342
<b>EPSDT PCS P.A. - Unisys</b>			
<b>Dental P.A. - LSU School of Dentistry</b>		(225) 216-6470	(225) 216-6476
<b>Hospital Precertification - Unisys</b>	(800) 877-0666		(800) 717-4329
<b>Pharmacy Prior Authorization</b>	(866) 730-4357		(866) 797-2329
<b>Provider Enrollment - Unisys</b>		(225) 216-6370	
<b>Fraud and Abuse Hotline</b> (for use by providers and recipients)	(800) 488-2917		
<b>WEB Technical Support Hotline – Unisys</b>	(877) 598-8753		

## ADDITIONAL NUMBERS FOR PROVIDER ASSISTANCE

Department	Phone Number	Purpose
<b>Regional Office – DHH</b>	(800) 834-3333 (225) 925-6606	Providers may request verification of eligibility for presumptively eligible recipients; recipients may request a new card or discuss eligibility issues.
<b>Eligibility Operations – BHSF</b>	(888) 342-6207	Recipients may address eligibility questions and concerns.
<b>LaCHIP Program</b>	(877) 252-2447	Providers or recipients may obtain information about the LaCHIP Program that expands Medicaid eligibility for children from birth to 19.
<b>Office of Public Health - Vaccines for Children Program</b>	(504) 838-5300	Providers may obtain information regarding the Vaccines for Children program, including information on how to enroll in the program.
<b>Specialty Care Resource Line - ACS</b>	(877) 455-9955	Providers and recipients may obtain referral assistance.
<b>CommunityCARE/KIDMED Hotline - ACS</b>	(800) 259-4444	Recipients may choose or change a PCP, inquire about CommunityCARE program policy or procedures, express complaints concerning the CommunityCARE program, request enrollment in the KIDMED program, and obtain information on KIDMED. Providers may inquire about PCP assignment for CommunityCARE recipients and CommunityCARE monitoring/certification, and obtain information on KIDMED linkage, referrals, monitoring, and certification.
<b>Louisiana Medicaid Nurse Helpline – ACS</b>	(866) 529-1681	CommunityCARE recipients may call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to speak with a nurse regarding health questions and problems.
<b>EarlySteps Program - OCDD</b>	(866) 327-5978	Providers and recipients may obtain information on the EarlySteps Program and services offered.
<b>LINKS</b>	(504) 838-5300	Providers and recipients may obtain immunization information on recipients.
<b>Program Integrity</b>	(225) 219-4149	Providers may request termination as a recipient's lock-in provider.
<b>Office of Aging and Adult Services (OAAS)</b>	(225) 219-0223 (866) 758-5035	Providers and recipients may request assistance regarding Elderly and Disabled Adults (EDA), Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) and Long Term Personal Care Services (LT-PCS).
<b>Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities (OCDD)/Waiver Supports &amp; Services (WSS)</b>	(225) 342-0095 (866) 783-5553	Providers and recipients may request assistance regarding waiver services to waiver recipients.
<b>Family Planning Waiver</b>	(225) 219-4153	Providers may request assistance about the family planning waiver.
<b>DHH Rate and Audit</b>	(225) 342-6116	For LTC, Hospice, PACE, and ADHC providers to address rate setting and claims or audit issues.

## PHONE NUMBERS FOR RECIPIENT ASSISTANCE

Provider Relations cannot assist recipients. The telephone listing below should be used to direct recipient inquiries appropriately.

<b>Department</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
<b>Fraud and Abuse Hotline</b>	(800) 488-2917	Recipients may anonymously report any suspected fraud and/or abuse.
<b>Regional Office – DHH</b>	(800) 834-3333 (225) 925-6606	Recipients may request a new card or discuss eligibility issues.
<b>Eligibility Operations – BHSF</b>	(888) 342-6207	Recipients may address eligibility questions and concerns.
<b>LaCHIP Program</b>	(877) 252-2447	Recipients may obtain information concerning the LaCHIP Program which expands Medicaid eligibility for children from birth to 19.
<b>Specialty Care Resource Line - ACS</b>	(877) 455-9955	Recipients may obtain referral assistance.
<b>CommunityCARE/KIDMED Hotline - ACS</b>	(800) 259-4444	Recipients may choose or change a PCP, inquire about CommunityCARE program policy or procedures, express complaints concerning the CommunityCARE program, request enrollment in the KIDMED program, and obtain information on KIDMED.
<b>Louisiana Medicaid Nurse Helpline – ACS</b>	(866) 529-1681	CommunityCARE recipients may call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to speak with a nurse regarding health questions and problems.
<b>EarlySteps Program – OCDD</b>	(866) 327-5978	Recipients may obtain information on the EarlySteps Program and services offered.
<b>LINKS</b>	(504) 838-5300	Recipients may obtain immunization information.
<b>Office of Aging and Adult Services (OAAS)</b>	(225) 219-0223 (800) 660-0488	Recipients may request assistance regarding Elderly and Disabled Adults (EDA), Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) and Long Term Personal Care Services (LT-PCS).
<b>Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities (OCDD)/Waiver Supports &amp; Services (WSS)</b>	(225) 342-0095 (866) 783-5553	Recipients may request assistance regarding waiver services.
<b>Family Planning Waiver</b>	(225) 219-4153	Recipients may request assistance regarding family planning waiver services.

**NOTE:** Providers should not give their provider numbers to recipients for the purpose of contacting Unisys. Recipients with a provider number may be able to obtain information regarding the provider (last check date and amount, amounts paid to the provider, etc.) that would normally remain confidential.

## LOUISIANA MEDICAID WEBSITE APPLICATIONS

The newest way to obtain general and specific Medicaid information is on our Louisiana Medicaid Provider Website:

[www.lamedicaid.com](http://www.lamedicaid.com)

This website has several applications that should be used by Louisiana Medicaid providers. These applications require that providers establish an online account for the site.

### Provider Login and Password

To ensure appropriate security of recipient's patient health information (PHI) and provider's personal information, the secure area of the web site is available to providers only. It is the responsibility of each provider to become "Web Enrolled" by obtaining a login and password for this area of the site to be used with his/her provider number. Once the login and password are obtained by the provider who "owns" the provider number, that provider may permit multiple users to login using the provider number. This system allows multiple individuals to login using the same login and password OR a provider may have up to 500 individual logins and passwords established for a single provider number. The administrative account rights are established when a provider initially obtains a login and password, and should remain with the provider or designated office staff employed by the provider.

A login and password may be obtained by using the link, Provider Web Account Registration Instructions. Should you need assistance with obtaining a login and password or have questions about the technical use of the application, please contact the Unisys Technical Support Desk at 877-598-8753.

☞ Unisys has received inquiries from billing agents/vendors attempting to access this web application. DHH and CMS Security Policy restrictions will not permit Unisys to allow access of this secure application to anyone except the owner of the provider number being used for accessing the site. In cases where an outside billing agent/vendor is contracted to submit claims on behalf of a provider, any existing business partner agreement is between the provider and the billing agent/vendor. Unisys may not permit anyone except the provider to receive or ask for information related to a login and password to access secured information.

## Web Applications

There are a number of web applications available on [www.lamedicaid.com](http://www.lamedicaid.com) web site; however, the following applications are the most commonly used:

- Medicaid Eligibility Verification System (e-MEVS) for recipient eligibility inquiries;
- Claims Status Inquiry (e-CSI) for inquiring on claims status; and
- Clinical Data Inquiry (e-CDI) for inquiring on recipient pharmacy prescriptions as well as other medical claims data
- Prior Authorization (e-PA) for requesting prior authorizations electronically.

These applications are available to providers 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at no cost.

### **e-MEVS:**

Providers can verify eligibility, primary insurance information, and service limits for a Medicaid recipient using this web application accessed through [www.lamedicaid.com](http://www.lamedicaid.com). This application provides eligibility verification capability in addition to MEVS swipe card transactions and REVS. An eligibility request can be entered via the web for a single recipient and the data for that individual will be returned on a printable web page response. The application is to be used for single individual requests and cannot be used to transmit batch requests.

Since its release, the application has undergone some cosmetic and informational changes to make it more user-friendly and allow presentation of more complete, understandable information.

### **e-CSI:**

Providers wishing to check the status of claims submitted to Louisiana Medicaid should use this application. We are required to use HIPAA compliant denial and reference codes and descriptions for this application. If the information displayed on CSI is not specific enough to determine the detailed information needed to resolve the claim inquiry, refer to the hard copy remittance advice. The date of the remittance advice is displayed in the CSI response. The hard copy remittance advice continues to carry the Louisiana specific error codes. Providers must ensure that their internal procedures include a mechanism that allows those individuals checking claims statuses to have access to remittance advices for this purpose. A LA Medicaid/HIPAA Error Code Crosswalk is available on this website by accessing the link, Forms/Files.

Once enrolled in the website, all active providers, with the exception of "prescribing only" providers, have authorization to utilize the e-CSI application.



## **e-CDI:**

The e-CDI application provides a Medicaid recipient's essential clinical history information at the authorized practitioner's finger tips at any practice location.

The nine (9) clinical services information components are:

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|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Clinical Drug Inquiry      | 5. Ancillary Services      |
| 2. Physician/EPSTD Encounters | 6. Lab & X-Ray Services    |
| 3. Outpatient Procedures      | 7. Emergency Room Services |
| 4. Specialist Services        | 8. Inpatient Services      |
|                               | 9. Clinical Notes Page     |

This information is updated on a monthly basis, with the exception of the Clinical Drug Inquiry, which is updated on a daily basis. The Clinical Drug Inquiry component will provide clinical historical data on each Medicaid recipient for the current month, prior month, and prior four months. All other components will provide clinical historical data within a one-year period. These updates are based on Medicaid claims history. A print-friendly version of the information on each of the web pages will be accessible and suitable for the recipient's clinical chart.

The major benefits of the use of e-CDI by the practitioner will include:

1. Displays a list of all services (i.e. drugs, procedures, MD visits, etc.) by all providers that have provided services to each individual recipient.
2. Provides the practitioner rapid access to current clinical data to help him/her evaluate the need for "modifications" of an individual Medicaid recipient's health care treatment.
3. Promotes the deliberate evaluation by a practitioner to help prevent duplicate drug therapy and decreases the ordering of duplicate laboratory tests, x-ray procedures, and other services.
4. Supplies a list of all practitioner types providing health care services to each Medicaid recipient.
5. Assists the practitioner in improving therapeutic outcomes and decreasing health care costs.

## **e-PA**

The Electronic Prior Authorization (e-PA) Web Application has been developed for requesting prior authorizations electronically. E-PA is a web application found on the [www.lamedicaid.com](http://www.lamedicaid.com) website and provides a secure web based tool for providers to submit prior authorization requests and to view the status of previously submitted requests. This application is currently restricted to the following prior authorization types:

- 01 – Inpatient
- 05 – Rehabilitation
- 06 – Home Health
- 09 – DME
- 14 – EPSDT PCS
- 99 - Other

Providers who do not have access to a computer and/or fax machine will not be able to utilize the web application. However, prior authorization requests will continue to be accepted and processed using the current PA hard-copy submission methods.

NOTE: Dental electronic Prior authorization (e-PA) Web Application will be implemented at a later date. In order to utilize the Dental e-PA Web Application, the dental provider will be required to obtain the services of a vendor to submit the electronic attachment information to Medicaid. Complete Dental e-PA instructions will be provided upon implementation of Dental e-PA.

### **Reminders:**

PA Type 01: Outpatient Ambulatory Surgery performed Inpatient on the first or second day of the stay. This is only for State Operated hospitals and Out-of-State hospitals that have a DHH approval letter for the out of state stay. Use ICD-9-CM procedure codes.

PA Type 99: Outpatient Ambulatory Surgery (CPT procedures) performed Inpatient on the first or second day of the stay. The surgery was performed at a State Operated hospital and Out-of-State hospital that has a DHH approval letter for the out of state stay. This is also used for specialized CPT procedures. This is for professional services only.

PA Type 05: Providers must always submit the PA02 Form with each request. Do not request authorization for the evaluation procedures, these do not require prior approval. Submit only units on the e-PA transaction, Do Not submit dollar amounts.

Home Health Providers submitting Rehab Services should use PA Type 05 and PA Type 09 when submitting DME Services.

PA Type 09: When submitting a request with a miscellaneous procedure code, the provider must submit a PA01 Form with the description of the item they are requesting.

NO EMERGENCY REQUEST CAN BE SUBMITTED VIA e-PA.

RECONSIDERATION REQUESTS (RECONS) CAN BE SUBMITTED USING e-PA AS LONG AS THE ORIGINAL REQUEST WAS SUBMITTED THROUGH e-PA.

## **Additional DHH Available Websites**

[www.lamedicaid.com](http://www.lamedicaid.com): Louisiana Medicaid Information Center which includes Field Analyst listing, RA messages, Provider Updates, Preferred Drug Listings, General Medicaid Information, Fee Schedules, and Program Training Packets

[www.dhh.louisiana.gov](http://www.dhh.louisiana.gov): DHH website – LINKS (includes a link entitled “Find a doctor or dentist in Medicaid”)

[www.dhh.state.la.us](http://www.dhh.state.la.us): Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH)

[www.la-kidmed.com](http://www.la-kidmed.com): KIDMED – Program Information, Frequently Asked Questions, Outreach Material ordering

[www.la-communitycare.com](http://www.la-communitycare.com): CommunityCARE – Program Information, PCP Listings, Frequently Asked Questions, Outreach Material ordering

<https://linksweb.opd.dhh.louisiana.gov>: Louisiana Immunization Network for Kids Statewide (LINKS)

[www.ltss.dhh.louisiana.gov/offices/?ID=152](http://www.ltss.dhh.louisiana.gov/offices/?ID=152): Division of Long Term Community Supports and Services (DLTSS)

[www.dhh.louisiana.gov/offices/?ID=77](http://www.dhh.louisiana.gov/offices/?ID=77): Office of Citizens with Developmental Disabilities (OCDD)

[www.dhh.louisiana.gov/offices/?ID=334](http://www.dhh.louisiana.gov/offices/?ID=334): EarlySteps Program

[www.dhh.louisiana.gov/rar](http://www.dhh.louisiana.gov/rar): DHH Rate and Audit Review (Information on Nursing Home, Adult Day Healthcare, Hospice, Administrative Claiming, Sub-Acute Care, PACE, and Assisted Living; Cost Reporting Information, Contacts and FAQ's.)

[www.doa.louisiana.gov/osp/aboutus/holidays.htm](http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/osp/aboutus/holidays.htm): State of Louisiana Division of Administration site for Official State Holidays

# **APPENDIX**

## EPSDT HEALTH SERVICES PROCEDURE CODES

The following chart lists the codes most commonly billed by EPSDT Health Services providers:

Procedure Code	Description	Fee
90804	Individual psychotherapy, insight oriented, behavior modifying and/or supportive, in an office or outpatient facility; approximately 20 – 30 minutes face to face with the patient	\$22.50
90806	Individual psychotherapy, insight oriented, behavior modifying and/or supportive, in an office or outpatient facility, approximately 45-50 minutes face to face with the patient	\$45.00
90810	Individual psychotherapy, interactive, using play equipment, physical devices, language interpreter, or other mechanisms of non-verbal communication in an office or outpatient facility, approximately 20-30 minutes face to face with patient	\$22.50
90812	Individual psychotherapy, interactive, using play equipment, physical device, language interpreter, or other mechanisms of non-verbal communication in an office or outpatient facility, approx 45-50 minutes face to face with the patient	\$45.00
90846	Family psychotherapy( w/o Patient)	\$22.50
90847	Family psychotherapy (conjoint psychotherapy) (with patient present)	\$22.50
90853	Group psychotherapy (other than of a multiple family group)	\$22.50
90857	Interactive group psychotherapy	\$22.50
92506	Evaluation of speech, language, voice, communication, auditory processing and/or aural rehabilitation status	\$45.00
92507	Treatment of speech, language, voice, communication and/or auditory processing disorder (includes aural rehabilitation); individual	\$7.50
92508	Treatment of speech, language, voice, communication and/or auditory processing disorder (includes aural rehabilitation); group, 2 or more individuals	\$7.50
92551	Screening test, pure tone, air only	\$3.60
92552	Pure tone audiometry (threshold), air only.	\$22.50
92553	Pure tone audiometry (threshold), air and bone.	\$45.00
92555	Speech audiometry threshold	\$9.00
92556	Speech audiometry threshold ; with speech recognition	\$22.50
92557	Comprehensive audiometry, threshold evaluation and speech recognition	\$54.00
92563	Tone decay test	\$10.00
92564	Short increment sensitivity index (SISI)	\$20.00
92565	Stenger test, pure tone	\$15.00
92567	Tympanometry (impedance testing)	\$22.50
92568	Acoustic reflex testing; threshold	\$22.50
92569	Acoustic reflex decay test; decay	\$36.00
92571	Filtered speech test	\$25.00
92572	Staggered spondaic word test	\$75.00
92575	Sensorineural acuity level test	\$20.00
92576	Synthetic sentence identification test	\$25.00
92577	Stenger test, speech	\$13.50

92582	Conditioning play audiometry	\$45.00
92583	Select picture audiometry	\$22.50
92584	Electrocochleography	\$200.00
92585	Auditory evoked potentials for evoked response audiometry and/or testing of the central nervous system; comprehensive	\$180.00
92586	Auditory evoked potentials for evoked response audiometry and/or testing of the CNS; limited	\$50.00
92587	Evoked otoacoustic emissions; limited (single stimulus level, either transient or distortion products)	\$25.00
92588	Comprehensive or diagnostic evaluation (comparison of transient and/or distortion product otoacoustic emissions at multiple levels and frequencies)	\$50.00
92590	Hearing aid exam and selection, monaural	\$65.00
92591	Hearing aid exam and selection, binaural	\$65.00
92592	Hearing aid check, monaural	\$22.50
92593	Hearing aid check, binaural	\$45.00
92594	Electroacoustic evaluation for hearing aid, monaural	\$22.50
92595	Electroacoustic evaluation for hearing aid, binaural	\$45.00
96101	Psychological testing (includes psychodiagnostic assessment of emotionality, intellectual abilities, personality and psychopathology, eg, MMPI, Rorschach, WAIS), per hour of the psychologist's or physician's time, both face-to-face time with the patient and time interpreting test results and preparing the report	\$76.50
97001	Physical Therapy evaluation	\$54.00
97003	Occupational Therapy Evaluation	\$51.00
97032	Application of modality to one or more areas; electrical stimulation (manual), each 15 minutes	\$10.00
97110	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; therapeutic exercises to develop strength and endurance, range of motion and flexibility	\$10.00
97112	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; neuromuscular re-education of movement, balance, coordination, kinesthetic sense, posture and/or proprioception for sitting and/or standing activities	\$10.00
97116	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; gait training (includes stair climbing)	\$20.00
97124	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; massage, including effeurage, petrissage, and/or tapotement (stroking, compression, percussion, etc.)	\$10.00
97530	Therapeutic activities, direct (one-on-one) patient contact by the provider (use of dynamic activities to improve functional performance); each 15 minutes	\$8.00
97750	Physical performance test or measurement (eg, musculoskeletal, functional capacity), with written report, each 15 minutes	\$8.00
97760	Orthotic(s) management and training (including assessment and fitting when not otherwise reported), upper extremity(s), lower extremity(s), lower extremity(s) and/or trunk, each 15 minutes	\$8.00

**NOTE:** CPT codes 96100 and 97504 have been deleted from CPT 2006

Reimbursement fees are current as of September 1, 2007, and are subject to change.

**EarlySteps**  
**Louisiana's Early Intervention System**  
**System Point of Entry (SPOE's)**

<b>DHH Region</b>	<b>SPOE</b>	<b>Parishes</b>	<b>Contractor-Information</b>
1	Jefferson Parish Human Service Authority	Orleans, St. Bernard, Jefferson , Plaquemines	<b>Lynne-Marie Ruckert, Program Supervisor</b> 201 Evans Road Bldg 1 Suite 100 Harahan, LA 70123 Phone (504) 888-7530 Toll Free 1-866-296-0718 Fax (504) 838-5284 E-mail: <a href="mailto:lruckert@fhfgno.org">lruckert@fhfgno.org</a>
2	Southeast Louisiana Area Health Education Center	East Baton Rouge, West Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, West Feliciana, Pointe Coupee, Iberville, Ascension	<b>Brian Jakes III, Program Manager</b> 3060 Teddy Drive Suite A Baton Rouge, LA 70809 Phone (225) 925-2626 Toll Free 1-866-925-2426 Fax (225) 925-1370 E-mail: <a href="mailto:ahecbpj@l-55.com">ahecbpj@l-55.com</a>
3	Southeast Louisiana Area Health Education Center	Assumption, St. John, St. Charles, St. James, Terrebonne, Lafourche, St. Mary	<b>Brian Jakes III, Program Manager</b> 602 Parish Road Thibodaux, LA 70301 Phone (985) 447-6550 Toll Free 1-866-891-9044 Fax (985) 447-6513 E-mail: <a href="mailto:ahecbpj@l-55.com">ahecbpj@l-55.com</a>
4	First Steps Referral and Consulting LLC	Lafayette, Iberia, St. Martin, Vermillion, St. Landry, Evangeline, Acadia	<b>Mary F. Hockless, CEO</b> 134 East Main Street, Suite 4 New Iberia, LA 70560 Phone (337) 359-8748 Toll Free 1-866-494-8900 Fax (337) 359-8747 E-mail: <a href="mailto:teamfsrc@bellsouth.net">teamfsrc@bellsouth.net</a>
5	First Steps Referral and Consulting LLC	Beauregard, Jefferson Davis, Allen, Cameron, Calcasieu	<b>Mary F. Hockless, CEO</b> 134 East Main Street, Suite 4 New Iberia, LA 70560 Phone (337) 359-8748 Toll Free 1-866-494-8900 Fax (337) 359-8747 E-mail: <a href="mailto:teamfsrc@bellsouth.net">teamfsrc@bellsouth.net</a>
6	Families Helping Families at the Crossroads of Louisiana	Vernon, Rapides, Winn, Grant, LaSalle, Catahoula, Concordia, Avoyelles	<b>Teresa Harmon, Program Supervisor</b> 2840 Military Highway Suite B Pineville, LA 71360 Phone (318) 640-7078 Toll Fee 1-866-445-7672 Fax (318) 640-5799 E-mail: <a href="mailto:tjharmon891@hotmail.com">tjharmon891@hotmail.com</a>

7	Families Helping Families at the Crossroads of Louisiana	Caddo, Bossier, Webster, Claiborne, Bienville, Natchitoches, Sabine, DeSoto, Red River	<b>Rebecca Thornton, Program Supervisor</b> 2620 Centenary Blvd. Bldg. 2 Suite 249 Shreveport, LA 71104 Phone (318) 226-8038 Toll Free 1-866-676-1695 Fax (318) 425-8295 E-mail: <a href="mailto:jennifer@spoe.ntcmail.net">jennifer@spoe.ntcmail.net</a>
8	Easter Seals of Louisiana	Ouachita, Union, Jackson, Lincoln, Caldwell, Morehouse, West Carroll, East Carroll, Richland, Franklin, Tensas, Madison	<b>Peyton Fisher, Director</b> 1300 Hudson Lane, Suite B Monroe, LA 71201 Phone (318) 322-4788 Toll Free 1-877-322-4788 Fax (318) 322-1549 Email: <a href="mailto:pfisher@bayou.com">pfisher@bayou.com</a>
9	Southeast Louisiana Area Health Education Center	St. Tammany, Livingston, Tangipohoa, Washington, St. Helena	<b>Brian Jakes III, Program Manager</b> 1302 J.W. Davis Drive Hammond, LA 70403 Phone (985) 429-1252 Toll Free 1-866-640-0238 Fax (985) 429-1613 Email: <a href="mailto:ahecbpj@l-55.com">ahecbpj@l-55.com</a>



## Place of Service Codes

Current codes and descriptions are maintained at [posinfo@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:posinfo@cms.hhs.gov).

Place of Service Code	Place of Service Name	Place of Service Description
03	School	A facility whose primary purpose is education.
12	Home	Location, other than a hospital or other facility, where the patient receives care in a private residence.
99	Other Place of Service	Other place of service not identified above.

## HOW DID WE DO?

In an effort to continuously improve our services, Unisys would appreciate your comments and suggestions. Please complete this survey and return it to a Unisys representative or leave it on your table. **Your opinion is important to us.**

Seminar Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Location of Seminar (City): \_\_\_\_\_

Provider Subspecialty (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

FACILITY	Poor					Excellent
The seminar location was satisfactory	1	2	3	4	5	
Facility provided a comfortable learning environment	1	2	3	4	5	
<b>SEMINAR CONTENT</b>						
Materials presented are educational and useful	1	2	3	4	5	
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The speakers were thorough and knowledgeable	1	2	3	4	5	
Topics were well organized and presented	1	2	3	4	5	
Reps provided effective response to question	1	2	3	4	5	
Overall meeting was helpful and informative	1	2	3	4	5	
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