



PROVIDER TYPE SPECIFIC PACKET/CHECKLIST

(Louisiana Medicaid Program)

Early Steps (Individual)

Audiologist, Psychologist, Occupational Therapist, Physical Therapist, Speech Therapist

(Enrollment packet is subject to change without notice.)

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR INDIVIDUAL EARLY STEPS PROVIDERS

Individual Early Steps providers may link to the following group:

Early Steps Group

Linkages of Professionals to Groups – an individual's provider number can be "linked" to a group provider number for purposes of billing as an attending provider for the specified group.

- Active providers only require Group Link/Unlink and Working Relationship Form.
- New/Inactive/closed providers require a completed application and the Group Link/Unlink and Working Relationship Form.

Claims submitted under the group number, with an individual's number included as the attending provider, will be processed and the remittance will be sent directly to the group's mailing address. It is not necessary for the individual's mailing address to be the same as the Group's mailing address for these Remittance Advice notices to be sent to the group, if billed correctly.

Early Steps (Individual) REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR ENROLLMENT

The following checklist shows all required documents that MUST be submitted to enroll with Fee For Service (FFS) Louisiana Medicaid. Please make certain to complete each required form in its entirety to avoid processing delays.

^{**}Form is included in this packet.

Completed	Document Name
*	Individual Louisiana Medicaid PE-50 Provider Enrollment Form.
*	2. PE-50 Addendum – Provider Agreement Forms (three pages).
*	3. Medicaid Direct Deposit (EFT) Authorization Agreement Form.
*	4. Louisiana Medicaid Ownership Disclosure Information Forms.
*	5. (If submitting claims electronically) Provider's Election to Employ Electronic Data Interchange of Claims for Processing in the Louisiana Medical Assistance Program (EDI Contract) Form And Power of Attorney Form (if applicable).
	6. Copy of voided check or letter from the bank on bank letterhead verifying the account and routing number for the account to which you wish to have your funds electronically deposited (deposit slips are not accepted).
	7. Copy of a pre-printed document received from the IRS showing both the employer identification number (EIN) and the official name as recorded on IRS records (W-9 forms are not accepted).
	8. Copy of current medical license from governing license board of your profession. If requesting retroactive coverage, a license must be submitted that covers that time period. A temporary permit is only good until the expiration date.
**	9. OFS Form 24 (Required for Audiologist)
	 10. To report "Specialty" for this provider type on Section A of the PE-50, please use: Code 64 (Audiologist), Code 62 (Psychologist), Code 74 (Occupational Therapist), Code 65 (Physical Therapist), or Code 71 (Speech Therapist).

For Group Linkages (you may link ONLY to an Early Steps group):

**	11. Group Link/Unlink and Working Relationship Form.
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Original Signatures Required – Please Do NOT Use Black Ink

Please submit all required documentation to:
Gainwell Provider Enrollment Unit
PO Box 80159
Baton Rouge, LA 70898-0159
225-216-6370

^{*}Form is included in the **Basic Enrollment Packet for Individuals**.

STATE OF LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS

Dear Provider:

It is the policy of the Bureau of Health Services Financing that the Medicaid Program will only pay for in-office performance of certain laboratory and diagnostic services which are billed by physicians if the following conditions are met:

- 1. The physician has completed and has on file with Louisiana State Medicaid Program, Provider Enrollment Unit a completed OFS Form 24.
- 2. The completed OFS Form 24 fully describes the laboratory or diagnostic equipment required to perform these tests.
- 3. The OFS Form 24 information is updated as needed.

Our policy towards laboratory or diagnostic services that are performed outside of a physician office remains unchanged. Physicians may not be reimbursed for laboratory or diagnostic services ordered for their patients if these services are performed outside of their office. Only the performer of a test may seek reimbursement for these services. Any interpretive service by the attending physician is reimbursed through the physician visit payment.

The OFS Form 24 requirements only pertain to: 1) those participating physicians who own or lease laboratory or diagnostic testing equipment that is located in their office or place of practice and 2) for which use the physician will be submitting a claim to the Medicaid program.

- Example 1: Dr. Jones is an individual practitioner who owns or leases a SMA-12, EKG monitor and X-Ray equipment. Dr. Jones wishes to perform laboratory and diagnostic services on Medicaid patients in his office and bill the Medicaid Program for these laboratory or diagnostic services. Dr. Jones must complete the OFS Form 24.
- Example 2: Drs. Smith, Jones, Doe, and Rae are a group practice. As a group they own or lease laboratory and diagnostic equipment. It is their desire to use this equipment in treating Medicaid beneficiaries, and they will bill the Medicaid Program for these services. If each physician is individually enrolled in the Medicaid Program, each physician in the group must complete the OFS Form 24, even though the descriptive information will be identical. If the physicians are enrolling as a group, only one OFS Form 24 is required as long as all members of the group are indicated.
- Example 3: An individual or group practitioner utilizes an external source for laboratory or diagnostic tests. The individual or group practitioner would not complete the OFS Form 24, as they would not bill the Medicaid Program directly.

A Louisiana OFS Form 24 is enclosed for completion and submittal where applicable. Return the completed form to:

Gainwell Provider Enrollment Unit, P.O. Box 80159, Baton Rouge, LA 70898-0159.

Sincerely,

Provider Enrollment Unit

OFS Form 24 (Diagnostic and/or Laboratory Equipment)

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Louisiana Medicaid Group Link/Unlink and Working Relationship Form

PURPOSE

This form is used when an individual provider is requesting to be linked to a Professional Group or Entity. The form permits Linkage/Unlinkage for two separate professional groups. When linking to a group, the estimated number of hours is required. The form also serves as documentation that a working relationship exists between an individual and a professional group. For this form to be valid, an **ORIGINAL SIGNATURE AND DATE ARE REQUIRED.**

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