



# Local Educational Agency Medi-Cal Billing Option Program

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## **STATE PLAN AMENDMENT 15-021**

The Local Educational Agency Medi-Cal Billing Option Program (LEA BOP) is authorized in the California's Medicaid State Plan, which is a contractual agreement between the State of California and the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). The State Plan contains all information necessary for CMS to determine if the State can receive Federal Financial Participation (FFP) for its Medicaid program (Medi-Cal in California). Any changes to the program requires an amendment to the State Plan. State Plan Amendment (SPA) 15-021 proposes the following additions to the LEA BOP:

- **New Assessments**
  - Orientation and Mobility
  - Respiratory
- **New Treatments**
  - Activities of Daily Living (Nursing and School Health Aide Services)
  - Group Treatment Services (Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy)
  - Nutritional Services
  - Orientation and Mobility Services
  - Respiratory Therapy Services
- **New Practitioners**
  - Occupational Therapy Assistant
  - Orientation and Mobility Specialist
  - Physical Therapy Assistant
  - Physician Assistant
  - Registered Associate Clinical Social Worker
  - Registered Dietician
  - Registered Marriage and Family Therapist Intern
  - Respiratory Care Practitioner
  - Speech-Language Pathology Assistant
- **Random Moment Time Survey**
  - New methodology to capture the amount of time spent providing direct health services by qualified health practitioners that participate in the LEA BOP.
  - For more information regarding Random Moment Time Survey, please visit our web site at: [http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/LEA\\_RMTS.aspx](http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/LEA_RMTS.aspx)
- **Other Changes**
  - Expands reimbursement to include covered services under an Individualized Health and Support Plan, which will allow LEAs to receive reimbursement for eligible beneficiaries without an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or Individualized Family Services Plan (IFSP), resulting in increased services for Medi-Cal eligible general education students.
  - Currently, LEAs are only allowed to claim 24 service units in a 12-month period for students without an IEP/IFSP. SPA 15-021 will remove the reimbursement limitation for those non-IEP/IFSP services to claim beyond the current 24 service units.

SPA 15-021 is posted on the Department of Health Care Services SPA Pending Webpage for review by the public at: [http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/laws/Pages/2015\\_Pending.aspx](http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/laws/Pages/2015_Pending.aspx)

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