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MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 30, 2010

TO: Ms. Sharon L. Summers, DMMA
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FROM: Daniese McMullin-Powell, Chairperson
State Council for Persons with Disabilities

RE: 14 DE Reg. 142 [DMMA Proposed School-based Wellness Center Reimbursement Regulation]

The State Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPD) has reviewed the Department of Health and Social Services/Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance's (DMMAs) proposal to adopt a new funding approach for school-based wellness centers as the current rate methodology "sunset" on September 30, 2010. The regulation was published as 14 DE Reg. 142 in the September 1, 2010 issue of the Register of Regulations. As background, the current system reimburses centers based on a single rate each benefit year for any client served in a clinic. DSS is proposing to abandon this simple reimbursement system in favor of centers billing for each discrete service based on "the DMAP physician fee schedule" which DMMA notes is published on its Website. Finally, DMMA recites that the "proposal imposes no increase in cost on the General Fund." At 143. SCPD has the following observations.

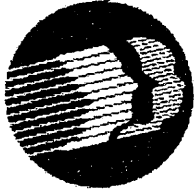
First, SCPD was unable to locate a document titled "DMAP physician fee schedule" at the Web address provided in the regulation. Instead, the site publishes the attached "HCPCS" and "ASC" Schedules. Assuming DMMA intends to cross reference one of these schedules, it would be preferable to adopt consistent terminology.

Second, the regulation notes that the centers provide services which are not provided by physicians (e.g. "counseling and other supportive services"). At 142. It is unclear whether adopting a "physician fee schedule" would preclude billing by non-physicians (e.g. psychologist; social worker) and would include codes covering health care services typically provided by non-physicians. If not, centers will be prompted to abandon non-physician support services to the detriment of students.

Thank you for your consideration and please contact SCPD if you have any questions or comments regarding our observations on the proposed regulation.

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Link	Description
2009 HCPCS Schedule	2009 CPT/HCPCS Fee Schedule 1/1/2009 to 3/31/2009
2009 HCPCS Schedule	2009 CPT/HCPCS Fee Schedule effective 4/1/2009 - 12/31/2009
2010 HCPCS Schedule	2010 CPT/HCPCS Fee Schedule effective 1/1/2010 - 05/31/2010
2010 HCPCS Schedule	2010 CPT/HCPCS Fee Schedule updated on 07/26/2010, effective 06/01/2010
2009 ASC Schedule	2009 CPT/ASC Fee Schedule effective 1/1/2009 to 3/31/2009 and effective 4/1/2009
2010 ASC Schedule	2010 CPT/ASC Fee Schedule updated 7/26/2010, Effective 1/1/2010

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