CHAPTER V

BILLING INSTRUCTIONS

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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this chapter is to explain the procedures for billing the Virginia Medicaid Program (Medicaid) for covered services provided to Medicaid-eligible individuals. The Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) is the agency that oversees Medicaid in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
This chapter will address:

- **General Information** - This section contains information about DMAS' claims systems and requirements, including timely filing and the use of appropriate claims forms.

- **Billing Procedures** – This section provides instructions on completing claim forms, submitting adjustment requests, and additional payment services.

In the School-Based Services (SBS) program for Local Education Agencies (LEAs) in the Commonwealth of Virginia, submission of electronic claims to the DMAS claims processing system is a program requirement. In the SBS program, claim records submitted to DMAS are referred to a "interim claims" because the final payment to LEAs is determined through an annual cost-settlement process. For more information about cost settlement, please see instructions, trainings, and other resources published on the DMAS website at https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/for-providers/school-based-services/.

FEE SCHEDULE

A fee schedule is a complete listing of the maximum fees Medicaid will pay LEA providers for services billed as interim claims. DMAS develops the interim claim fee schedule and can be found on the DMAS website, https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/media/khcc13a0/final-billing-sheet.pdf

LEAs may bill at any interim rate of their choosing, up to the maximum fee listed in the fee schedule. However, LEAs are advised to bill at interim rates that will not exceed LEA allowable costs that will be claimed through the annual cost settlement process in order to avoid receiving interim payments in excess of allowable costs, which would result in a recoupment of any overpayments during the cost settlement process.

ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF CLAIMS

Electronic billing using Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) is an efficient way to submit Medicaid claims. Providers use EDI software that enables the automated transfer of data in a specific format following specific data content rules directly to DMAS. For more information, go to https://vamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov/edi.

The mailing address, phone number and fax number for the EDI program are:

EDI Coordinator
Virginia Medicaid Fiscal Agent
P.O. Box 26228
Richmond, Virginia 23260-6228

Phone: (866) 352-0766
Fax number: (888) 335-8460

The email for technical/web support for EDI is MESEDISupport@dmas.virginia.gov.

DIRECT DATA ENTRY (DDE)

LEAs may submit Professional (CMS-1500) claims using Direct Data Entry (DDE). Providers also may make adjustments or void previously submitted claims through DDE. DDE is provided at no cost to providers. Paper claims submissions are not allowed except when requested by DMAS.

Providers must use the Medicaid Enterprise System (MES) Provider Portal to complete DDE. The MES Provider Portal can be accessed at https://vamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov/provider.

MEDICAID PROVIDER TAXONOMY

Providers must include a valid provider taxonomy code as part of the claims submission process for all Medicaid-covered services. LEA providers should use taxonomy code 2513000000X.

For information on taxonomy codes, please go to:
https://vamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov/provider/downloads

TIMELY FILING

Federal regulations [42 CFR § 447.45(d)] require the initial submission of all Medicaid claims within 12 months from the date of service. . Only claims that are submitted within 12 months from the date of service are eligible for Federal financial participation. To request a waiver of timely filing requirements, providers billing electronically must submit a Claim Attachment Form (DMAS-3) with the appropriate attachments.

DMAS is not authorized to make payment on claims that are submitted late, except under the following conditions:

Retroactive Eligibility - Medicaid eligibility can begin as early as the first day of the third month prior to the month in which the individual makes application for benefits. All eligibility requirements must be met within that period for retroactive eligibility to be granted. In these instances, unpaid bills for that period may be submitted to DMAS as Medicaid claims.

Delayed Eligibility Initial denials of an individual's Medicaid eligibility application may be overturned, or other actions may cause an eligibility determination to be delayed. DMAS may make payments for dates of service more than 12 months in the past when the claims are for an individual whose determination of eligibility was delayed.

It is the provider's obligation to verify the individual's Medicaid eligibility.

Denied claims – Denied claims must be submitted and processed on or before thirteen months from date of the initial denied claim where the initial claim was filed according to timely filing requirements. The procedures for resubmission are:

- Complete invoice as explained in this billing chapter.
- Attach written documentation to justify/verify the explanation. . If billing electronically and waiver of timely filing is being requested, submit the claim with the appropriate attachments. (The DMAS-3 form is to be used by electronic billers for attachments. See exhibits).

INVOICE PROCESSING

The Medicaid invoice processing system utilizes a sophisticated electronic system to process Medicaid claims. Once a claim has been received, imaged, assigned a cross-reference number, and entered into the system, it is placed in one of the following categories:

Remittance Voucher

- **Approved** - Payment is approved or Pended. Pended claims are placed in a pended status for manual adjudication (the provider must not resubmit).

- **Denied** - Payment cannot be approved because of the reason stated on the remittance voucher.

- **Pend** – Payment is pended for claim to be manually reviewed by DMAS staff or waiting on further information from provider.

No Response - If one of the above responses has not been received within 30 days, the provider should assume non-delivery and rebill using a new invoice form. The provider's failure to follow up on these situations does not warrant individual or additional consideration for late billing.

REQUESTS FOR BILLING MATERIALS

Paper versions of the Health Insurance Claim Form CMS-1500 (02-12) and CMS-1450 (UB-04) are available from the U.S. Government Bookstore at https://bookstore.gpo.gov/.

Providers may use the paper forms only if specifically requested to do so by DMAS. DMAS does not provide CMS-1500 and CMS-1450 (UB-04) forms.

REMITTANCE/PAYMENT VOUCHER

DMAS sends a check and remittance voucher with each weekly payment made by the Virginia Medical Assistance Program. The remittance voucher is a record of approved, pended, denied, adjusted, or voided claims and should be kept in a permanent file for five (5) years.

The remittance voucher includes an address location, which contains the provider's name and current mailing address as shown in the DMAS' provider enrollment file. In the event of a change-of-address, the U.S. Postal Service **will not** forward DMAS payment checks and vouchers to another address. Therefore, it is recommended that DMAS' Provider Enrollment and Certification Unit be notified in sufficient time prior to a change-of-address in order for the provider files to be updated.

Providers are encouraged to monitor the remittance vouchers for special messages since they serve as notifications of matters of concern, interest and information. For example, such messages may relate to upcoming changes to DMAS policies and procedures; may serve as clarification of concerns expressed by the provider community in general; or may alert providers to problems encountered with the automated claims processing and payment system.

ANSI X12N 835 HEALTH CARE CLAIMS PAYMENT ADVICE

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) requires that DMAS comply with the electronic data interchange (EDI) standards for health care as established by the Secretary of Health and Human Services. The 835 Claims Payment Advice transaction set is used to communicate the results of claim adjudication. DMAS will make a payment with electronic funds transfer (EFT) or check for a claim that has been submitted by a provider (typically by using an 837 Health Care Claim Transaction Set). The payment detail is electronically posted to the provider's accounts receivable using the 835.

In addition to the 835 the provider will receive an unsolicited 277 Claims Status Response for the notification of pending claims.

CLAIM INQUIRIES AND RECONSIDERATION

Inquiries concerning covered benefits, specific billing procedures, or questions regarding DMAS policies and procedures should be directed to:

Customer Services
Department of Medical Assistance Services
600 East Broad Street, Suite 1300
Richmond, VA 23219

A review of additional documentation may sustain the original determination or result in an approval or denial.

Telephone Numbers

1-804-786-6273	Richmond Area and out-of-state long distance
1-800-552-8627	In-state long distance (toll-free)

Enrollee verification and claim status may be obtained by telephoning:

1-800- 772-9996	Toll-free throughout the United States
1-800- 884-9730	Toll-free throughout the United States
1-804- 965-9732	Richmond and Surrounding Counties
1-804- 965-9733	Richmond and Surrounding Counties

Enrollee verification and claim status may also be obtained by utilizing the Web-based Automated Response System. See Chapter I for more information.

ELECTRONIC FILING REQUIREMENTS

DMAS is fully compliant with 5010 transactions and will no longer accept 4010 transactions after March 30, 2012.

The Virginia MMIS will accommodate the following EDI transactions for participating Local Education Agencies according to the specification published in the Companion Guide version 5010

For providers that are interested in receiving more information about utilizing any of the above electronic transactions, your office or vendor can obtain the necessary information at our fiscal agent's website: https://www.virginiamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov.

IMS XTEN/NATIONAL CORRECT CODING INITIATIVE (NCCI)

CMS approved the following provider types to be exempt from the Medicaid NCCI editing process: Community Service Boards (CSB), Federal Health Centers (FQHC), Rural Health Clinics (RHC), Schools, and Health Departments.

- Service Authorizations:
- LEA claims do not require prior authorization.

COST-BASED REIMBURSEMENT AND BILLING INSTRUCTIONS FOR LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCIES

Virginia LEAs that are enrolled as providers with DMAS are reimbursed based on the costs of providing qualified services to Medicaid and CHIP-eligible students. (Virginia's CHIP program is known as the Family Access to Medical Insurance Security or FAMIS program.) CMS requires that participating LEAs submit interim billing claims for covered services provided to eligible students and complete an annual cost reporting process*. While LEA providers may receive payments based on these interim claims, final payment is based on an annual cost report that details each LEA's actual costs of providing covered services to Medicaid and FAMIS-eligible students.

*Any interim payments made based on the claims process are subject to recovery if the LEA fails to submit the annual cost report. Please reference the Virginia School-Based Services Guide for Direct Health Care Services Cost Reporting at https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/for-providers/school-based-services/ for more information on this process.

Additional requirements for interim claiming:

- Claims for all services must include a modifier indicating if the service was provided pursuant to a student's individualized education program (IEP) plan or not. Reference the section below titled Local Education Agency Service Codes for additional information on modifier use. Claims that do not include either an "IEP" or a "non-IEP" modifier will be.denied.
- Claims for nursing services must include a modifier indicating if the service was provided pursuant to a physician, nurse practitioner or physician assistant student-specific order, physician's standing order or physician's treatment protocol; or for nursing services provided without a licensed provider's order or prescription, and in response to a medical emergency or crisis, emergency management or medical emergency response plan. Reference the section below titled Local Education Agency Service Codes, Nursing, for additional information on modifier use. Claims for nursing services that do not include a modifier will be denied.
- The National Provider Identifier (NPI) of a DMAS-enrolled ordering, referring or prescribing (ORP) provider must be included on interim claims as a referring

provider for school-based services, with the exemptions listed in the next bullet. This includes claims for the telehealth originating site facility fee (Q3014)*.

- The following services are exempted from the requirement to include an NPI of a DMAS-enrolled ordering, referring or prescribing provider: Nursing services provided pursuant to a school division's crisis, emergency management or medical emergency response plan; personal care services; and medical evaluation and management services performed by a physician, nurse practitioner or physician assistant, testing technicians.

*An applicable DMAS-enrolled ordering, referring and prescribing provider for school-based services means that an NPI of a DMAS-enrolled, licensed healthcare provider acting within the scope of their license, consistent with Virginia law, has made a determination that the referred services are needed.

Local Education Agency (LEA) Providers typically use either Direct Data Entry (DDE) or the EDI electronic claims transaction 837 Professional Health Care Claim or Encounter file format described earlier in this chapter, however, the CMS-1500 (02-12) form must be used in those instances where DMAS has requested the use of the paper form. The following instructions have numbered items corresponding to fields on the CMS-1500 (02-12).

SPECIAL NOTE: The provider number in locator 24J must be the same in locator 33 unless the Group/Billing Provider relationship has been established and approved by DMAS for use.

Locator	REQUIRED	Instructions
		Enter an "X" in the Medicaid box for the Medicaid Program. Enter an "X" in the OTHER box for Temporary Detention Order (TDO) or Emergency Custody Order (ECO).
1a	REQUIRED	Insured's I.D. Number – Enter the 12-digit VA Medicaid identification number for the member receiving the service.
2	REQUIRED	Patient's Name – Enter the name of the member receiving the service.
3	NOT REQUIRED	Patient's Birth Date
4	NOT REQUIRED	Insured's Name
5	NOT REQUIRED	Patient's Address
6	NOT REQUIRED	Patient Relationship to Insured
7	NOT REQUIRED	Insured's Address
8	NOT REQUIRED	Reserved for NUCC Use
9	NOT REQUIRED	Other Insured's Name
9a	NOT REQUIRED	Other Insured's Policy or Group Number
9b	NOT REQUIRED	Reserved for NUCC Use
9c	NOT REQUIRED	Reserved for NUCC Use

9d	NOT REQUIRED	Insurance Plan Name or Program Name
10	REQUIRED	Is patient’s condition related to: Enter an “X” in the appropriate box a. Employment? b. Auto Accident? c. Other Accident? (includes schools, stores, assaults, etc.) NOTE: The state postal code should be entered, if known
10d	Conditional Claim Codes	Designated by NUCC Enter “Attachment” if documents are attached to the claim form
11	NOT REQUIRED	Insured’s Policy Number of FECA Number
11a	NOT REQUIRED	Insured’s Date of Birth
11b	NOT REQUIRED	Other Claim ID
11c	REQUIRED (if applicable) (not required for LEAs)	Insurance Plan or Program Name If applicable, providers that are billing for non-Medicaid MCO co-pays only – please insert “HMO co-pay”
11d	REQUIRED (if applicable) **(not required for LEAs)**	Is there another health benefit plan? Providers should only check “yes” if there is other third-party coverage
12	NOT REQUIRED	Patient’s or Authorized Person’s Signature
13	NOT REQUIRED	Insured or Authorized Person’s Signature
14	REQUIRED (if applicable)	Date of current illness, injury, or pregnancy Enter date MM/DD/YY, enter qualifier 431 onset of symptoms or illness
15	NOT REQUIRED	Other date
16	NOT REQUIRED	Dates patient unable to work in current occupation
17	REQUIRED (if applicable)	Name of referring physician or other source
17a	REQUIRED **(if applicable)**	ID Number of referring physician. The qualifier “ZZ” may be entered if the provider taxonomy code is needed to adjudicate the claim
17b	REQUIRED (if applicable)	ID Number of the referring physician. Enter the National Provider Number (NPI) of the referring physician
18	NOT REQUIRED	Hospitalization dates related to current services
19	REQUIRED (if applicable)	Additional claim information, Enter the CLIA #
20	NOT REQUIRED	Outside lab
21	REQUIRED	Diagnosis or nature of illness or injury, enter the appropriate ICD diagnosis code, which

		describes the nature of the illness or injury for which the service was rendered in locator 24E. NOTE: Line "A" field should be the primary/ admitting diagnosis followed by the next highest level of specificity in lines "B-L" **NOTE: ICD Ind. – OPTIONAL O=ICD 10-CM – dates of service 10/1/15 and after**
22	REQUIRED (if applicable)	Resubmission Code – original reference number required for adjustment and void. See the instructions for Adjustment and Void invoices
23	REQUIRED (if applicable)	Service Authorization (SA) Number – enter the SA number for approved services that require a service authorization

NOTE: The locators 24A – 24J have been divided into open areas and a shaded line area. The shaded area is ONLY for supplemental information. DMAS has given instructions for the supplemental information that is required when needed for DMAS claims processing. ENTER REQUIRED INFORMATION ONLY.

24a lines 1-6 open area REQUIRED	Dates of service – enter the from and thru dates in a 2-digit format for the month/day/year (e.g., 01/01/14) DATES MUST BE WITHIN THE SAME MONTH
24a lines 1-6 red shaded REQUIRED (not required for LEAs)	if applicable DMAS requires the use of qualifier "TPL." This qualifier is to be used whenever an actual payment is made by a third-party payer. The "TPL" qualifier is to be followed by the dollar/cents amount of the payment by the third-party carriers. Example: Payment by other carrier is 427.08; red shaded area would be filled as TPL27.08. No spaces between qualifier and dollars. No $ symbol but the decimal between dollars and cents is required.

DMAS requires the use of the qualifier 'N4'. This qualifier is to be used for the National Drug Code (NDC) whenever a HCPCS drug related code is submitted in 24D to DMAS. No spaces between the qualifier and the NDC number.

NOTE: The unit of measurement qualifier code is followed by the metric decimal quantity Unit of Measurement Qualifier Codes: F2 – International Units
GR – Gram ML – Milliliter UN – Unit
Examples of NDC quantities for various dosage forms as follows:

- Tablets/Capsules – bill per UN
- Oral Liquids – bill per ML
- Reconstituted (or liquids) injections – bill per ML
- Non-reconstituted injections (I.E. vial of Rocephin powder) – bill as UN (1 vial = 1 unit)
- Creams, ointments, topical powders – bill per GR
- Inhalers – bill per GR

BILLING EXAMPLES:
TPL, NDC and UOM submitted:
TPL3.50N412345678901ML1.0 NDC, UOM and TPL submitted: N412345678901ML1.0TPL3.50
NDC and UOM submitted only:
N412345678901ML1.0 TPL submitted only:
TPL3.50

Note: Enter only TPL, NDC and UOM information in the supplemental shaded area. (see billing examples)
All supplemental information is to be left justified.

SPECIAL NOTE: DMAS will set the coordination of benefit code based on information supplied as follows:

- If there is nothing indicated or 'NO' is checked in locator 11d, DMAS will set that the patient had no other third- party carrier. This relates to the old coordination of benefit code 2.
- If locator 11d is checked 'YES' and there is nothing in the locator 24a red shaded line; DMAS will set that the third-party carrier was billed and made no payment. This relates to the old coordination of benefit code 5. **An EOB/documentation must be attached to the claim to verify nonpayment**.
- If locator 11d is checked 'YES' and there is the qualifier 'TPL' with payment amount (TPL15.50), DMAS will set that the third-party carrier was billed, and payment made of $15.50. This relates to the old coordination of benefit code 3.

24b open area	REQUIRED **Place of Service -** Enter the 2-digit CMS code, which describes where the services were rendered.
24c open area	REQUIRED if applicable **Emergency Indicator -** Enter either 'Y' for YES or leave blank. **DMAS will not accept any other indicators for this locator.**
24d open area	REQUIRED Procedures, Services or Supplies – CPT/HCPCS – Enter the CPT/HCPCS code that describes the procedure rendered or the service provided. Modifier - Enter the appropriate CPT/HCPCS modifiers.

Locator	Instructions
24e open area	REQUIRED **Diagnosis Code -** Enter the diagnosis code reference letter A-L (pointer) as shown in Locator 21 to relate the date of service and the procedure performed to the primary diagnosis. The primary diagnosis code reference letter for each service should be listed first. **NOTE: A maximum of 4 diagnosis code reference letter pointers should be entered.** Claims with values other than A-L in Locator 24-E or blank may be denied.
24f open area	REQUIRED **Charges -** Enter your total usual and customary charges for the procedure/services.
24g open area	REQUIRED Days or unit. Enter the number of times the procedure, service, or item was provided during the service period.
24h open area	REQUIRED if applicable. **EPSDT or Family Planning -** Enter the appropriate indicator. Required only for EPSDT or family planning services. 1. Early and Periodic, Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment Program Services 2. Family Planning Service
24I locator	REQUIRED - NPI – this is to identify that it is an NPI that is in 24J.
24I red shaded	REQUIRED (if applicable) **ID Qualifier** the qualifier “ZZ” is entered to identify the rendering provider taxonomy code.
24J open	REQUIRED if applicable. **Rendering provider ID# -** Enter the 10-digit NPI number for the provider that performed/rendered the care.
24J red shaded	REQUIRED, if applicable. Rendering provider ID#. The qualifier “ZZ” is entered to identify the provider taxonomy code.
25	NOT REQUIRED Federal Tax I.D. Number
26	REQUIRED Patient's Account Number – Up to FOURTEEN alpha- numeric characters are acceptable.
27	NOT REQUIRED Accept Assignment
28	REQUIRED Total Charge - Enter the total charges for the

	services in 24F lines 1-6
29	REQUIRED if applicable. Amount Paid – For personal care and waiver services only – enter the patient pay amount that is due from the patient. NOTE: The patient pay amount is taken from services billed on 24A - line 1. If multiple services are provided on same date of service, then another form must be completed since only one line can be submitted if patient pay is to be considered in the processing of this service.
30	NOT REQUIRED. Reserved for NUCC use.
31	REQUIRED. Signature of Physician or Supplier Including Degrees Or Credentials - The provider or agent must sign and date the invoice in this block.
32	REQUIRED if applicable. Service Facility Location Information – Enter the name as first line, address as second line, city, state and 9-digit zip code as third line for the location where the services were rendered. NOTE: For physician with multiple office locations, the specific Zip code must reflect the office location where services given. Do NOT use commas, periods or other punctuations in the address. Enter space between city and state. Include the hyphen for the 9 digit zip code.
32a open	REQUIRED if applicable. **NPI # -** Enter the 10 digit NPI number of the service location.
32b red shaded	REQUIRED if applicable. **Other ID#:** - The qualifier of 'ZZ' is entered to identify the provider taxonomy code.
33	REQUIRED. Billing Provider Info and PH # - Enter the billing name As first line, address as second line, city, state and 9-digit zip code as third line. This locator is to identify the provider that is requesting to be paid. NOTE: Do NOT use commas, periods or other punctuations in the address. Enter space between city and state. Include the hyphen for the 9-digit zip code. The phone number is to be entered in the area to the right of the field title. Do not use hyphen or space as separator within the telephone number.
33a open	REQUIRED **NPI –** Enter the 10-digit NPI number of the billing provider.
33b red shaded	REQUIRED if applicable. **Other Billing ID -** The qualifier 'ZZ' is entered to identify the provider taxonomy code. **NOTE: DO NOT** use commas, periods, space, hyphens or other punctuations between the qualifier and the number.

Instructions for the Completion of the Health Insurance Claim Form, CMS 1500 (02-12), as an Adjustment Invoice

The Adjustment Invoice is used to change information on an approved claim. Follow the instructions for the completion of the Health Insurance Claim Form, CMS-1500 (02-12), except for the locator indicated below.

Locator 22 Medicaid Resubmission Code – Enter the 4-digit code identifying the reason for the submission of the adjustment invoice.
1023 Primary Carrier has made additional payment
1024 Primary Carrier has denied payment
1025 Accommodation charge correction
1026 Patient payment amount changed
1027 Correcting service periods
1028 Correcting procedure/service code
1029 Correcting diagnosis code
1030 Correcting charges
1031 Correcting units/visits/studies/procedures
1032 IC reconsideration of allowance, documented
1033 Correcting, admitting, referring, prescribing, provider Identification number
1053 Adjustment reason is in the Misc. Category

Original Reference Number/ICN - Enter the claim reference number/ICN of the paid claim. This number may be obtained from the remittance voucher and is required to identify the claim to be adjusted. Only **one** claim can be adjusted on each CMS-1500 (02-12) submitted as an Adjustment Invoice. (Each line under Locator 24 is one claim)

NOTE: ICNs can only be adjusted through the MES Provider Portal up to three years from the **date the claim was paid**. After three years, ICNs are purged from the MES and can no longer be adjusted through the system. If an ICN is purged from the system, the provider must send a refund check made payable to DMAS and include the following information:

- A cover letter on the provider's letterhead which includes the current address, contact name and phone number.
- An explanation about the refund.
- A copy of the remittance page(s) as it relates to the refund check amount.

Mail all information to:

Department of Medical Assistance Services
Attn: Fiscal & Procurement Division, Cashier
600 East Broad Street, Suite 1300

Richmond, VA 23219

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE CLAIM FORM CMS 1500 (02-12), AS A VOID INVOICE

The Void Invoice is used to void a paid claim. Follow the instructions for the completion of the Health Insurance Claim Form, CMS-1500 (02-12), except for the locator indicated below.

Locator 22 Medicaid Resubmission
Code – Enter the 4-digit code identifying the reason for the submission of the void invoice.

1042 Original claim has multiple incorrect items
1044 Wrong provider identification number
1045 Wrong member eligibility number
1046 Primary carrier has paid DMAS maximum allowance
1047 Duplicate payment was made
1048 Primary carrier has paid full charge
1051 Member not my patient
1052 Miscellaneous
1060 Other insurance is available

Original Reference Number/ICN - Enter the claim reference number/ICN of the paid claim. This number may be obtained from the remittance voucher and is required to identify the claim to be voided. Only one claim can be voided on each CMS-1500 (02-12) submitted as a Void Invoice. (Each line under Locator 24 is one claim).

NOTE: ICNs can only be voided through the MES Provider Portal up to three years from the **date the claim was paid**. After three years, ICNs are purged from the MES and can no longer be voided through the system. If an ICN is purged from the system, the provider must send a refund check made payable to DMAS and include the following information:

- A cover letter on the provider's letterhead which includes the current address, contact name and phone number.
- An explanation about the refund.
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Richmond, VA 23219

Negative Balance Information – Fee for Service

Negative balances occur when one or more of the following situations have occurred:

- Provider submitted adjustment/void request
- DMAS completed adjustment/void
- Audits
- Cost settlements
- Repayment of advance payments made to the provider by DMAS

In the remittance process the amount of the negative balance may be either off set by the total of the approved claims for payment leaving a reduced payment amount or may result in a negative balance to be carried forward. The remittance will show the amount as, “less the negative balance” and it may also show “the negative balance to be carried forward.”

The negative balance will appear on subsequent remittances until it is satisfied. An example is if the claims processed during the week resulted in approved allowances of $1000.00 and the provider has a negative balance of $2000.00 a check will not be issued, and the remaining $1000.00 outstanding to DMAS will carry forward to the next remittance.

LEA BILLING INSTRUCTIONS

Local Education Agencies (LEAs) participating in the DMAS Cost-Based School-Based Services Program must submit interim claims for each rendered service specialty type (e.g., PT, behavioral health) for which the LEA is seeking cost-based reimbursement with the exception of specialized transportation services. (Effective July 1, 2022, LEAs no longer submit interim claims for specialized transportation services.)

LEAs must follow the general requirements of all DMAS providers in submitting interim claims using direct data entry (DDE) or electronic data interchange (EDI). This chapter reviews those requirements. For detailed instructions on preparation and submission of the annual cost report consult the Virginia School-Based Services Guide for Direct Health Care Services Cost Reporting at https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/for-providers/school-based-services.

RANDOM MOMENT TIME STUDY

All Medicaid-qualified staff involved in the delivery of direct health care services (except contractors) for which the LEA seeks reimbursement must participate quarterly in the time study. For more information consult the Virginia School-Based Services Random Moment Time Study (RMTS) Instruction Manual at https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/for-providers/school-based-services/

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR LEAS TRACKING INTERIM CLAIMS

LEAs may also access interim claims-related information through the DMAS Local Education Agency Cost Reporting website hosted by the DMAS cost settlement contractor. LEAs can access data on all adjudicated interim claims (paid, denied, and adjusted) in a user-friendly interactive format, including options to download reports in Excel. The information may be accessed by authorized users as submitted to the DMAS contractor using the Virginia Designee Form posted at https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/for-providers/school-based-services/.

LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCY SERVICE CODES

DMAS makes interim payments during the year based on claims submitted and approved for payment. Final payment, however, is calculated on each LEA's costs reported and settled on an annual cost report. For more information on the cost settlement process, the LEA can find the Virginia School-Based Services: Guide for Direct Health Care Services Cost Reporting at https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/for-providers/school-based-services/. LEAs can also contact the DMAS cost settlement contractor directly at VACostReport@umassmed.edu or 1-800-535-6741 for assistance with cost reports. Final reimbursement will depend upon the settlement of the cost report.

The codes listed below have a detailed description in the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) manual or the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) manual. Please consult these manuals for guidance on the use of the codes.

All claims for covered services rendered must include a modifier as follows (see line 24D for additional instructions):

- The modifier "TM" must be used for services provided pursuant to a student's IEP.
- The modifier "TR" must be used for services that are **not** provided pursuant to a student's IEP.

Physical, Occupational and Speech-Language Therapies

CODE	SERVICE DESCRIPTION	UNIT
97163	Physical Therapy Assessment/Evaluation	Per assessment/evaluation
97110	Physical Therapy Individual Visit/Session	Per visit/session
97150	Physical Therapy Group Session	Per individual/per session
97167	Occupational Therapy Assessment/Evaluation	Per assessment/evaluation
97530	Occupational Therapy Individual Visit/Session	Per visit/session
S9129	Occupational Therapy Group Session	Per individual per session
92522	Speech/Language Assessment/Evaluation*	Per assessment/evaluation
92507	Speech Therapy Individual Visit/Session	Per visit/session
92508	Speech Therapy Group Session	Per individual/Per session

*Assistive Technology Evaluations are billed per discipline, using the above codes

Nursing

CODE	SERVICE DESCRIPTION	MODIFIER	UNIT
T1002	Nursing Services **pursuan**t to physician order * **(include ordering provider NPI as referring provider on claims)**	UC	15 min or less
T1002	School health nursing services not pursuant to a student-specific order *	UD	15 min or less

*Nursing modifiers must be used, when required.

Limits for Nursing

Nursing services are limited to 8 hours per day or 32 units per day. To calculate monthly units billed, take the total monthly time spent providing nursing services and divide by 15 (a unit) to get the total number of units to be billed for that month. If the calculation of the total number of units billed ends up with a fraction of a unit, round to the nearest unit.

Behavioral/Mental Health (One unit is per visit unless otherwise noted)

CODE	SERVICE DESCRIPTION	UNIT
90791	Psychiatric diagnostic interview examination *	Per Exam
90832	Individual mental health counseling service (individual psychotherapy)	Per Session
90839	Crisis Intervention Services	Per Intervention/Session Min
90846	Family Mental Health Counseling (Family Psychotherapy) without the student present	Per Session
90847	Family Mental Health Counseling (Family Psychotherapy) conjoint session with student present	Per Session
90853	Group Counseling/Psychotherapy (Other than of a Multiple Family Group) (Maximum group size is 10 individuals.)	Per individ./Per Session
96110	Developmental screening, Scoring and Documentation	Per Screening
97151	Adaptive Behavior Assessment	Per 15 min
97153	Adaptive Behavior Treatment	Per 15 min
97154	Group Adaptive Behavior treatment by Protocol (Maximum group size is 8 individuals.)	Per individ./ Per 15 min
97155	Adaptive Behavior Treatment w Protocol	Per 15 min

	Modification Per 15 min	
97158	Group Adaptive Behavior Treatment	Per individ./Per 15 min
	(Maximum group size is 8 individuals.)	

*Only one unit of this code may be billed per psychological testing evaluation episode, regardless of number of automated tests administered.

Audiology

CODE	SERVICE DESCRIPTION
92550	Tympanometry and reflex threshold measurements (Do not report 92550 in conjunction with 92567, 92568. Audiologists performing both tests on the same day should use 92550. Bill the individual CPT code if you do not perform both tests on the same day.
92551	Hearing screening test
92553	Pure tone audiometry (threshold); Air and bone
92555	Speech audiometry threshold
92556	Speech audiometry threshold with speech recognition
92557	Comprehensive audiometry threshold evaluation and speech recognition (92553 and 92556 combined)
92559	Audiometric testing of groups
92560	Bekesy audiometry; screening
92561	Bekesy audiometry; diagnostic
92562	Loudness balance test, alternate binaural or monaural
92563	Tone decay test
92564	Short increment sensitivity index (SISI)
92565	Stenger test, pure tone
92567	Tympanometry (impedance testing)
92568	Acoustic reflex testing; threshold
92569	Acoustic reflex testing; decay
92571	Filtered speech test
92572	Staggered spondaic word test
92575	Sensorineural acuity level test
92576	Synthetic sentence identification test
92577	Stenger test, speech
92579	Visual reinforcement audiometry (VRA)
92582	Conditioning play audiometry
92583	Select picture audiometry
92584	Electrocochleography
92585	Auditory evoked potentials for evoked response audiometry and/or testing of the central nervous system; comprehensive
92586	Auditory evoked potentials for evoked response audiometry and/or testing

	of the central nervous system; limited
92587	Evoked otoacoustic emissions; limited (single stimulus level, either transient or distortion products)
92588	Comprehensive or diagnostic evaluation (comparison of transient and/or distortion product otoacoustic emissions at multiple levels and frequencies)
92589	Central Auditory Function Test(s)
92570	Acoustic immittance testing, includes tympanometry (impedance testing), acoustic reflex threshold testing, and acoustic reflex decay testing (Do not report 92570 in conjunction with 92567, 92568. Audiologists billing 92567, 92568, and acoustic reflex decay test [formerly 92569] on the same day should now use 92550. Bill the individual CPT code if you do not perform all of the tests on the same day.)
92592	Hearing aid check; monaural
92593	Hearing aid check; binaural
92594	Electroacoustic Evaluation for hearing aid; monaural
92595	Electroacoustic Evaluation for hearing aid; binaural
92596	Ear Protector Attenuation Measurement
92601	Diagnostic analysis of cochlear implant, patient younger than 7 years of age; with programming
92602	Diagnostic analysis of cochlear implant, patient younger than 7 years of age; with subsequent programming
92603	Diagnostic analysis of cochlear implant, age 7 years or older; with programming
92604	Diagnostic analysis of cochlear implant, age 7 years or older; with subsequent programming
92620	Evaluation of central auditory function with report; initial 60 minutes
92621	Evaluation of central auditory function with report; each additional 15 minutes
92625	Assessment of tinnitus (including pitch, loudness matching, and masking)
92626	Evaluation of auditory rehabilitation status; first hour
92627	Evaluation of auditory rehabilitation status; each additional 15 minutes
92630	Auditory rehabilitation; prelingual hearing loss
92633	Auditory rehabilitation; post lingual hearing loss

Codes to use for auditory processing (AP) evaluation and treatment:

An audiologist performing an AP evaluation can code the procedure in one of two ways:

1. If the audiologist is performing more than one test, or a central auditory function battery, 92620 (Evaluation of central auditory function, with report).
2. If the audiologist is performing only a single test, one of the following codes should be used, as appropriate:
   - 92571 – Filtered speech test
   - 92572 – Staggered spondaic word test
   - 92576 – Synthetic sentence identification test

Personal Care Assistance

CODE	SERVICE DESCRIPTION	UNIT
T2027	Personal Care Services (Individual)	15 minutes or less
S5125	Personal Care Services (Group up to 6 individuals)	15 minutes or less

Service Limits for Personal Care Assistance Services

The unit of service for personal care is 15 minutes. The LEA may only bill for one personal care service per unit of time per student, regardless of the number of personal care assistants required to complete the service for that student.
A PCA can work with only up to six students at a time. An LEA may bill for up to six personal care transportation assistance “visits” (i.e., up to six students) performed by a single assistant during a single trip.

Personal care assistance services are limited to 8.5 hours per day or 34 units per day.

To calculate monthly units billed, add the time for providing personal care assistant services and divide by 15 (a unit) to get the total number of units to be billed. If the total number of units billed ends up with a fraction of a unit, round to the nearest unit.

For example, the total time to assist a student with feeding during lunch is 550 minutes for a month. Divide the total time by 15 to get the billable minutes (550 / 15 = 36.66). The total units billed would be 37 (round to the nearest unit). If the total time so assist the student with feeding during lunch is 500 minutes for a month, the total time would be divided by 15 to get the billable minutes (500 / 15 = 33.33) and rounded to nearest unit (33.33 = 33 units).

Medical, Eval., Screening and Assess., when completed by a MD, PA or NP

CODE	SERVICE DESCRIPTION	UNIT
T1024	Medical Evaluation by MD, NP or PA	Per encounter

EPSDT Health, Vision, and Hearing Screenings

CODE	SERVICE DESCRIPTION	UNIT
92551	Hearing Test	Per test
97755	Assistive technology assessment	
92552	Pure tone audiometry (threshold); air only	Per test

99173	Screening test of visual acuity, quantitative, bilateral	Per test
99381	Initial comprehensive preventive medicine, new patient infant (age under 1 year)	Per exam
99382	Initial comprehensive preventive medicine, new patient infant; early childhood (age 1 through 4 years)	Per exam
99383	Initial comprehensive preventive medicine, new patient infant; late childhood (age 5 through 11 years)	Per exam
99384	Initial comprehensive preventive medicine, new patient infant; adolescent (age 12 through 17 years)	Per exam
99385	Initial comprehensive preventive medicine, new patient infant; (18 – 39 years)	Per exam
99391	Periodic comprehensive preventive medicine; infant (age under 1 year)	Per exam
99392	Periodic comprehensive preventive medicine; early childhood (age 1 through 4 years)	Per exam
99393	Periodic comprehensive preventive medicine; late childhood (age 5 through 11 years)	Per exam
99394	Periodic comprehensive preventive medicine; adolescent (age 12 through 17 years)	Per exam
99395	Periodic comprehensive preventive medicine; (18 – 39 years)	Per exam

EPSDT Inter-periodic Screenings - New Patient

CODE	SERVICE DESCRIPTION	UNIT
99202	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of a new patient, which requires a medically appropriate history and/or examination and straightforward medical decision making. 15-29 minutes	Per visit
99203	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of a new patient, which requires a medically appropriate history and/or examination and straightforward medical decision making. 30-44 minutes	Per visit
99204	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of a new patient,	Per visit

	which requires a medically appropriate history and/or examination and straightforward medical decision making. 45-59 minutes	

Established Patient

CODE	SERVICE DESCRIPTION	UNIT
99211	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient that may not require the presence of a physician. Usually the presenting problem(s) are minimal	Per visit
99212	Office or other outpatient visit for the Evaluation and management of an established patient.10-19 minutes	Per visit
99213	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient. 20-29 minutes	Per visit
99214	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient. 30-39 minutes	Per visit

Telehealth

The modifier "GT" must be used for billing services delivered via telehealth.

The services of a school employee supervising the student during a telehealth session must be billed using procedure code, Q3014.