

July 22, 2011

Montana Health Care Programs Notice School-Based Service Providers

School-Based Service Rate Changes

Effective August 1, 2011, rate changes will occur for transportation, Code T2003 (\$12.36) and private duty nursing, Code T 1000 (\$6.87).

Effective September 1, 2011, the codes paid under the Resource-Based Relative Value System (RBRVS) will also be adjusted.

In state fiscal year 2010, a 2% provider rate increase was implemented with one-time-only funding appropriated by the 61st legislative session in 2009. This one-time-only funding was not included in the budget base for state fiscal year 2012, and the funds were not appropriated by the current 62nd legislative session.

The **enhanced** Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate Montana had received under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) has ended. The FMAP rate of assistance is used in the calculation of payment for Montana Medicaid clients receiving school-based services which also includes the CSCT program.

Effective July 1, 2011, the FMAP rate is 66.81%. All claims for school services that were paid on July 1, 2011 and after will be calculated based on that rate.

Additionally, **on October 1, 2011**, the FMAP will again be adjusted to 66.11%, in conformance with the new federal fiscal year.

All other edits and policies remain unchanged. The current fee schedule is posted on the Provider Information website.

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