

# School Based Medicaid Services

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# Background

- ▶ Partnership between Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) and the Department for Medicaid Services (DMS)
- ▶ Allows schools to receive federal funds for certain services provided to Medicaid eligible children in schools
- ▶ Schools enroll in Medicaid as health service providers
- ▶ Carved out of managed care
- ▶ Cost based not all schools paid the same - cost reports submitted on annual basis
- ▶ Schools pay the state match for services
  - ▶ Approximately 30% for direct services
  - ▶ 50% for administrative claiming

# Coverage Provisions

- ▶ Services outlined in a child's Individualized Education Plan (IEP)
  - ▶ Allows states to draw down federal funds to pay for school-based health related services required by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) when provided to Medicaid-eligible children with disabilities
  - ▶ Must be provided in the school and outlined in IEP
- ▶ Expanded care in schools
  - ▶ April 2019
  - ▶ Expands health services to all Medicaid-eligible students for any health service currently covered by Medicaid
- ▶ Administrative claiming
  - ▶ Administrative activities considered necessary for the administration of services as outlined in the Medicaid state plan
  - ▶ Outreach and enrollment
  - ▶ Care coordination, referrals, and transportation to Medicaid covered services while in school

# Covered Services

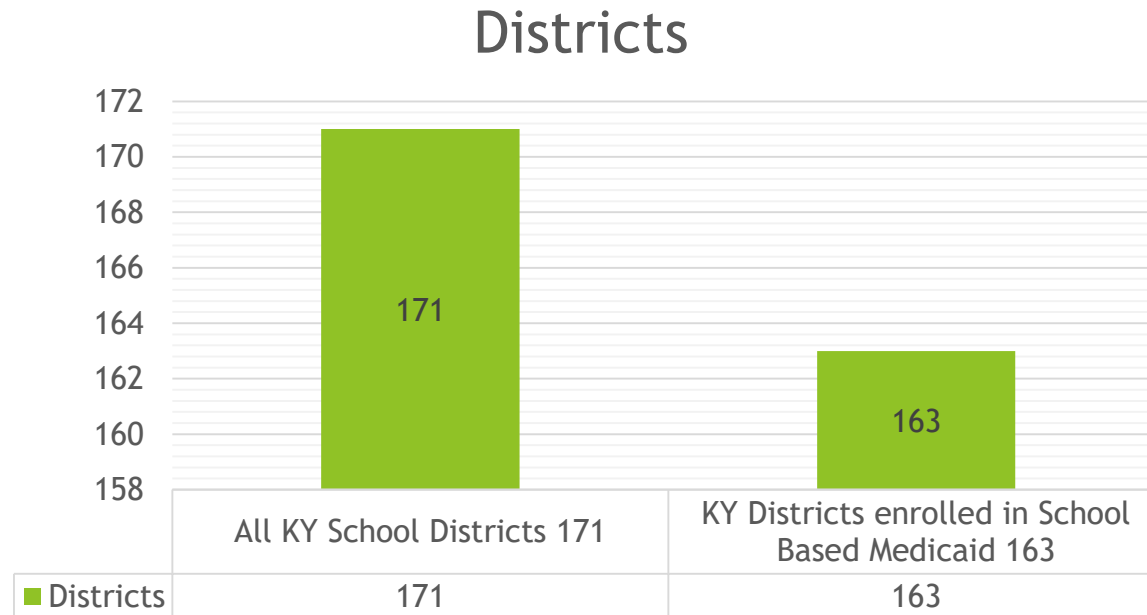
- ▶ Physical therapy
- ▶ Occupational therapy
- ▶ Psychological counseling
- ▶ Nursing
- ▶ Transportation
- ▶ Evaluations to determine health-related needs for IEP
- ▶ Beginning April 2019, any medically necessary service provided in accordance with federal and state regulations for that particular service

# Eligible Children

- ▶ All Children enrolled in Medicaid and KCHIP with the exception of approximately 46,000 children enrolled in the Separate Program portion of KCHIP
- ▶ School based services are covered under the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) portion of the Medicaid state plan
- ▶ Children in the KCHIP Separate Program do not receive EPSDT benefits

# How Many Districts Participate in School Based Medicaid ?

- ▶ 163 school districts participate in school based Medicaid
- ▶ 95.3% of districts participate in the school based Medicaid program



# Direct Service Payments

SFY	Children Served	Schools Billing	Amt Paid
SFY_2009	17,164	129	\$3,834,753.57
SFY_2010	18,761	135	\$4,410,308.29
SFY_2011	20,818	136	\$4,902,886.27
SFY_2012	19,481	137	\$4,840,252.93
SFY_2013	22,944	148	\$5,620,858.55
SFY_2014	26,524	150	\$6,435,031.31
SFY_2015	28,071	150	\$7,050,503.54
SFY_2016	28,944	154	\$8,010,154.43
SFY_2017	29,124	156	\$8,495,865.55
SFY_2018	29,952	158	\$8,849,201.89
SFY_2019	31,371	159	\$9,118,437.30
SFY_2020	31,110	160	\$7,384,710.78
SFY_2021	26,285	163	\$5,795,969.19

# Services by Number of Children Served (SFYs 2009 - 2021)

Procedure Code	Children Count	School Count	Amt Paid
92508 - SPEECH/HEARING THERAPY	91,836	167	\$30,932,489.04
92507 - SPEECH/HEARING THERAPY	33,207	165	\$8,056,636.50
99199 - SPECIAL SERVICE/PROC/REPORT	30,561	154	\$15,350,797.85
97530 - THERAPEUTIC ACTIVITIES	20,260	162	\$6,131,519.38
96150 - ASSESS HLTH/BEHAVE INIT	18,869	152	\$1,249,450.61
97150 - GROUP THERAPEUTIC PROCEDURES	11,745	155	\$2,133,438.49
A0160 - NONER TRANSPORT CASE WORKER	8,620	127	\$10,588,846.15
97110 - THERAPEUTIC EXERCISES	8,440	157	\$3,131,683.13
92523 - SPEECH SOUND LANG COMPREHEN	7,694	153	\$372,868.12
92522 - EVALUATE SPEECH PRODUCTION	4,209	145	\$108,703.22
97165 - OT EVAL LOW COMPLEX 30 MIN	2,300	127	\$34,384.02
E1399 - DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT MI	2,075	118	\$2,308,311.63
97003 - OT EVALUATION	1,938	115	\$75,411.33
T1004 - NSG AIDE SERVICE UP TO 15MIN	1,796	84	\$2,135,152.20
97167 - OT EVAL HIGH COMPLEX 60 MIN	1,416	109	\$21,107.63



# Services by Paid Amount (SFYs 2009 - 2021)

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T1002 - RN SERVICES UP TO 15 MINUTES	1,011	67	\$887,009.15
97533 - SENSORY INTEGRATION	345	56	\$450,464.82
92523 - SPEECH SOUND LANG COMPREHEN	7,694	153	\$372,868.12
T1003 - LPN/LVN SERVICES UP TO 15MIN	212	28	\$287,040.36
90832 - PSYTX W PT 30 MINUTES	521	15	\$208,200.09

# Administrative Claiming

2011	3,975,476.00
2012	7,832,770.00
2013	10,085,398.00
2014	12,084,322.00
2015	13,438,106.78
2016	13,508,883.54
2017	14,771,382.26
2018	14,188,103.90
2019	14,393,792.32
2020	17,605,887.98
2021	7,206,398.06
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>129,090,520.84</b>

2021 Not complete data

# School Districts Overcoming Barriers

- ▶ Though 95.3% of districts participate in the program at some capacity, that leaves 8 districts that aren't enrolled in the program ... Why?
- ▶ Districts do not have enough students that qualify for Medicaid for it to be financially beneficial to participate
- ▶ This program requires time and staff support, some districts don't have enough staff to support the required time
- ▶ Districts also often use IDEA federal money to pay practitioners, which makes Medicaid reimbursement not possible

# DMS & KDE Aiding Districts

- ▶ Annual trainings
- ▶ Updated Technical Assistance Guide (TAG)
- ▶ KDE provides year-round, one on one training, to districts when requested
- ▶ Updates provided on KDE & DMS website
- ▶ Open communication with DMS, KDE, and billing agents

# How to Increase Participation in School Based Medicaid?

- ▶ DMS & KDE are directing our focus to encouraging districts to participate in the Expanded Access Program. This will:
  - ▶ Open the door to students without IEP
  - ▶ Encourage districts to address mental health in all students
  - ▶ Make sure all students' needs are addressed if they are medically necessary

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Questions?