



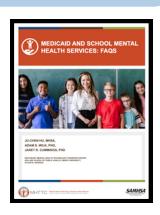
## An Overview of Resources to Support Comprehensive School Mental Health Systems through the Southeast Mental Health Technology Transfer Center: Medicaid Policy



Medicaid is an important source of funding for school mental health services. In the U.S., approximately 75% of school-aged children who receive mental health services access them in school. Medicaid policy outlines specific school mental health services that can be billed and who is eligible to bill for them. As these policies evolve, they create new opportunities to enhance and support school mental health systems and services. Over the past four years, the SMHTTC team has disseminated resources supporting school mental health services and programs. This report provides an overview of resources related to Medicaid and Medicaid policy.

### Report—Medicaid and School Mental Health Services: FAQs

Published in August of 2022, this *FAQs Report* discusses Medicaid as an important source for financing school mental health services. It identifies and answers common questions, including the requirements for seeking reimbursement for school metal health services and examples of how states have leveraged Medicaid State Plan Amendments and Medicaid Waivers to expand coverage of school mental health services under Medicaid.



# Infographic—Financing School-Based Mental Health Services: The Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) Medicaid Benefit



Published in October of 2020, this *infographic* describes the The Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) Medicaid Benefit. It includes Information about the service itself, the services EPSDT covers, and clarifies common misconceptions.

#### Webinar—A Guided Tour Through Available Resources



In 2022, The Southeast MHTTC hosted a *webinar event* covering the nearly 20 resources that help to explain the role of Medicaid in school mental health financing. These resources include reports, infographics, webinar recordings, and more. This presentation is useful for contextualizing Medicaid as a source of financing and identifying resources that specify when Medicaid can support certain programs.

### Webinar Series—Medicaid Policy & School Mental Health Parts 1 & 2

This 2023 webinar series describes key policies that govern Medicaid funding for school mental health services, and how they can be changed to increase school mental health funding. *Part I* focused on policies related to Medicaid coverage eligibility and services covered. *Part II* highlighted policies related to which providers can bill Medicaid for services and whether they can be billed for services provided in schools. This webinar provides an overview of Medicaid billing for school mental health services, eligibility of coverage, and state reforms to support school mental health.





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