



System to Track and Account for Children (STAC) and Medicaid Unit

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TO: Authorized Municipality Representatives - § 4410 of Education Law

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SUBJECT: 2015-16 Special Education Itinerant Services (SEIS) STAC Data Collection

Section 4410 of New York State Education Law, as amended by Chapter 56 of the Laws of 2014, provides that reimbursement for Special Education Itinerant Services (SEIS) shall be based on **delivered** sessions beginning with the 2015-16 school year. Prior to the 2015-16 school year, reimbursement was based on student enrollment. In order to comply with the statute, on June 16th, the Board of Regents approved through emergency action an amendment to section 200.9(f)(2)(ix)(d) of the Regulations of the Commissioner to require SEIS rates be paid for each unit of service delivered, not to exceed the recommendations for such services in a student's Individualized Education Program (IEP).

This change is effective beginning with 2015-16 SEIS reimbursement. The following guidance is provided to assist counties in collecting reimbursement data that will be submitted to the New York State Education Department's System to Track and Account for Children (STAC) and Medicaid Unit:

- STAC reimbursement approval requests for SEIS must reflect the number of **mandated** half hour sessions authorized by the IEP for the service period. This data will be entered in the "number of half hour sessions" field if submitting reimbursement approval requests by FTP. This data may also be entered online in the "sessions" field found in the education section of the DSSEI EFRT screen. Each mandated half hour unit of service for a student receiving SEIS in a group setting or individual setting is counted as "1" half hour session.
- Counties will report the actual number of SEIS half hour sessions **delivered** when claiming reimbursement on the Automated Voucher Listing (AVL). This information will be entered in the "claimed sessions" field if submitting verification data by FTP. This data may also be entered online in the "claimed sessions" field of the AVL found on the DVPRS EFRT screen. Each half hour unit of service delivered to a student receiving SEIS in a group setting or individual setting, and paid for by the county, is counted as "1" half hour session.

If you have questions on the STAC SEIS approval or SEIS claiming process, please contact the STAC and Medicaid unit at 518-474-7116.

c: Approved Special Education Itinerant Services Providers
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