TO: All SSHSP Medicaid Providers
FROM: NYS DOH OHIP SSHSP & NYSED Medicaid in Education Unit
DATE: December 13, 2016
SUBJECT: Medicaid State Plan Amendments to Continue Certified Public Expenditures Have Been Approved

The NYS Department of Health has been notified that the Medicaid State Plan Amendments (SPAs) #16-19 and #16-20 were approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for SSHSP participating providers, with the exception of those located in a city with a population over one million.

Approved SPAs #16-19 and #16-20 permit NYS to continue Certified Public Expenditures (CPEs) reimbursement methodology for the SSHSP with a revised IEP ratio for settlement calculations. The revised IEP ratio will include the number of unique recipients based on the paid claims data from the MMIS for the full school year as the basis for the numerator. For the 2015-2016 and future school years, the cost settlement calculation will use the total number of students in the LEA with a direct medical service, as outlined in their IEP, at any time during the school year as the basis for the denominator in the IEP ratio.

It is important to note that school districts and counties participating in the SSHSP must continue to submit encounter based fee-for-service claims to Medicaid, pursuant to SPA #09-61, which remains in effect. These interim claims are the foundation for CPE reimbursement, which entails participation in time studies and submission of cost reports through the Medicaid Cost Reporting and Claiming System (MCRCS). SPAs #16-19 and #16-20 may be viewed at:

http://www.oms.nysed.gov/medicaid/resources/state_plan_amendment/home.html

Please refer to Medicaid Alert 16-07 for the most up to date information on the IEP ratio methodology and cost reporting.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this Alert, please contact the NYS Department of Health at (518) 473-2160 or at SSHSP@health.ny.gov, or Public Consulting Group (PCG) at 1-866-912-2974 or at NYSSHSP@pcgus.com, or the NYS Education Department, Medicaid Unit at medined@nysed.gov.