Business and Non-Instructional Operations

Medical Reimbursement for Special Education Students

In accordance with federal and state law Eastford School personnel will seek Medicaid reimbursement (1) for eligible medically related services provided to Medicaid eligible special education students and (2) when applicable, request permission of parents/guardians to access private health insurance. School personnel shall also inform parents/guardians that use of private health insurance may affect benefits available through such insurance or costs of such insurance.

No child shall be denied special education and related services in the event parents/guardians refuse to use private health insurance, apply for Medicaid, or permit school district personnel to request Medicaid payment.

Medicaid payments received shall be:

- A. paid to the town, provided such payments shall be treated as a reduction in special education expenditures by crediting the special education expenditure account rather than town revenue, or
- B. upon agreement of the board of selectmen, paid to the board of education which may expend such funds in the fiscal year in which they are received.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-76d Duties and powers of boards of education to provide special education programs and services. State agency placements; apportionment of costs. Relationship of insurance to special education costs.

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