



Reimbursement and Billing Information

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<p>Who can bill for early intervention services?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Providers certified as Early Intervention Providers by the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) may bill for early intervention services. Agencies employing Certified Early Intervention Providers may bill for the early intervention services provided by those certified providers.
<p>What do providers need to do to participate in Medicaid?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be enrolled with DMAS as Early Intervention Providers. CSBs, outpatient rehab providers, and home health providers who currently have a provider agreement with DMAS have the option of enrolling with DMAS and (1) obtaining a specialty code or (2) obtaining a new provider class type and using the early intervention taxonomy code: 252Y00000X. These providers will be allowed to submit an attestation letter that notifies DMAS of their choice of how to enroll, and will not have to submit a new application. New providers in one of the above categories can select either option 1 or option 2 above. New providers who are not in one of the categories listed above (as well as any hospital) must submit an application to DMAS to obtain a new provider class and must use the early intervention taxonomy code. Providers must have a National Provider Number (NPI) or API. Agencies that have an NPI number will not need a new NPI number unless they choose to obtain the new provider class type.
<p>How do providers enroll in commercial networks</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact Local System Managers to learn which insurance companies provide coverage for the children in their local systems. Contact the commercial insurance companies/MCOs and follow their instructions to become a provider in their networks.
<p>What are the early intervention rates?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Early Intervention Rates - Table A for specific information about rates. The rates (effective October 1, 2009) apply regardless of reimbursement source. Rates reflect the full cost of providing a unit of Early Intervention services, including not only salary and benefit costs but also administrative and support costs. The rate also accounts for supervision costs for assistant-level practitioners. Since commercial third party payors do not cover the cost of providing services in natural environments, Part C funds are used to bring the total reimbursement up to the standard reimbursement rate (i.e. Part C will pay the difference between the commercial insurance reimbursement plus the family fee and the standard rate).
<p>What services are reimbursed?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Tables B and C for reimbursement sources by service pathway function. See Table D for Medicaid Early Intervention reimbursement information.
<p>How do providers receive Medicaid reimbursement?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Providers bill Medicaid (for children with Medicaid fee for service, MCO or FAMIS coverage) using a CMS 1500 form and the codes listed in Table D. For children with Medicaid and commercial insurance coverage, providers must bill the commercial insurance first.
<p>How do providers receive reimbursement from commercial insurance or Part C?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Providers bill third party payors according to requirements (including specific codes and billing forms) of the particular payor. In order to receive Part C reimbursement (for services not covered by third party payors or for the Part C portion of the family fees), providers must have a contractual relationship with the Local Infant & Toddler Connection System. Click on "System Managers" on www.infantva.org for a list of local systems with contact information for each Local Infant & Toddler Connection System.
<p>How Can I learn more?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> View information on the Infant & Toddler Connection website: www.infantva.org. Contact the Infant & Toddler Connection of Virginia at 804-786-3710. Email Infant & Toddler Connection of Virginia staff: http://www.infantva.org/Contactus.htm. Contact the Local System Manager for the area in which you provide services

Part C Early Intervention Rates – Table A

Service	Location	Provider*	Rate (per 15 minute unit)
Initial Assessment for Service Planning	Natural environment or center	Reimbursement category 1 providers	\$37.50/unit
		Reimbursement category 2 providers + dietitians	\$27.50/unit
		Audiologists	\$150/assessment
		Physicians	Negotiated individually at local level
Initial or Annual IFSP Meeting	Natural environment or center	RC 1 + audiologists***	\$37.50/unit
		RC 2 + dietitians***	\$27.50/unit
Team Treatment activities (more than one professional providing services during same session for an individual child/family)	Natural environment**	RC 1 + audiologists	\$37.50/unit
		RC 2 + dietitians	\$27.50/unit
Team meetings (child or family present)	Natural environment**	RC 1 + audiologists	\$37.50/unit
		RC 2 + dietitians	\$27.50/unit
Assessments that are done <u>after</u> the initial Assessment for Service Planning	Natural environment**	RC 1	\$37.50/unit
		RC 2 + dietitians	\$27.50/unit
		Audiologists	\$150/assessment
		Physicians	Negotiated individually at local level
Group (congregate) early intervention services	Natural environment**	RC 1 + audiologists	\$25.13/unit
		RC 2 + dietitians	\$18.43/unit
Individual early intervention services	Natural environment**	RC 1 + audiologists	\$37.50/unit
		RC 2 + dietitians	\$27.50/unit
Center-based group (congregate) services	Center	RC 1 + audiologists	\$7.43/unit
		RC 2 + dietitians	\$5.44/unit
Center-based individual services	Center	RC 1 + audiologists	\$22.50/unit
		RC 2 + dietitians	\$16.49/unit

* Reimbursement category 1 (RC 1) providers are physical therapists, occupational therapists, speech-language pathologists, nurses (registered nurses or nurse practitioners), physical therapy assistants and occupational therapy assistants. Reimbursement category 2 (RC 2) providers are certified therapeutic recreation specialists, counselors, educators, family and consumer science professionals, family therapists, music therapists, orientation and mobility specialists, psychologists, social workers, early intervention assistants, certified nurse aides, and licensed practical nurses.

** Includes center-based services with acceptable justifications AND for which travel by the provider is required. Such situations should be infrequent. Audiology and medical assessments are not required to occur in natural environments.

*** Medically necessary services from audiologists, dietitians, and physicians are reimbursed by Medicaid outside of the Medicaid Early Intervention Program. Providers are required to accept the Medicaid reimbursement as payment in full for these services for children covered by Medicaid.

Table B: Reimbursement Sources and Medicaid EI Codes for Components of the Service Pathway Children with Medicaid or FAMIS Coverage

Step	90 Day TCM*	Medicaid TCM*	Medicaid EI	Medicaid EI Codes	Other Medicaid	Other Funds**	Part C – POLR
Referral Steps	X	X				X***	X***
Intake	X	X				X***	X***
Developmental Screening	X	X				X***	X***
Hearing and Vision Screening	X	X				X***	X***
Eligibility Determination	SC	X	X			X***	X***
	EIP					X***	X***
Assessment for Eligibility	SC	X	X			X***	X***
	EIP – Child eligible	PT, OT, SLP, N		X	T1023 U1		
		Other EIP			X	T1023	
	EIP – Child found not eligible					X	X
Assessment for Service Planning	SC		X			X	X
	EIP	PT, OT, SLP, N		X	T1023 U1		
		Others			X	T1023	
IFSP Development	SC		X			X	X
	PT, PTA, OT, OTA, SLP, N			X	T1023 U1		
	Other EIP and EIS			X	T1023		
Provide Individual EI Services in Natural Environments	PT, PTA, OT, OTA, SLP, N			X	G0151 U1 G0152 U1 G0153 U1 G0154 U1		
	EIP: ECE, etc			X	T1027 U1		
	Other Disc: AUD, Diet., etc.					X	X
	EIS: EIA, Nurse Aide			X	T1027 U1		
Provide Group EI Services in Natural Environments	PT, PTA, OT, OTA, SLP, N			X	G0151, G0152, G0153, G0154		
	Other EIP			X	T1027		
	Other Disc: AUD, Diet., etc.					X	X
	EIS: EIA, Nurse Aide			X	T1027		
Provide Individual EI Services Center	PT, PTA, OT, OTA, SLP, N			X	T1026 U1		
	Other EIP			X	T1015 U1		
	Other Disc: AUD, Diet., etc.					X	X
	EIS: EIA, Nurse Aide			X	T1015 U1		
Provide Group EI Services in Center Setting	PT, PTA, OT, OTA, SLP, N			X			
	Other EIP			X	T1015		
	Other Disc: AUD, Diet., etc.					X	X
	EIS: EIA, Nurse Aide			X	T1015		
Team Meeting: Child/family present	PT, PTA, OT, OTA, SLP, N			X	T1024 U1		
	Other EIP and EIS			X	T1024		
Team Meeting: Family not present	EIP and EIS					X	X

PLEASE NOTE that Federal Regulations and Virginia Policies and Procedures require that ...no services that a child is entitled to receive are delayed or denied because of disputes between agencies regarding financial or other responsibilities.

Key: * For Children who Meet Medicaid TCM Eligibility Criteria
 ** State and local non-Part C funds, grants, donations, etc.
 *** For children who do not meet either MH or MR TCM criteria

TCM Targeted Case Management **POLR** Payor of Last Resort **AUD** Audiologist **Diet** Dietitian
SC Service Coordinators **ECE** Early Childhood Educator **EIP** Early Intervention Professional (PT, OT, ECSE, etc.)
EIS Early Intervention Specialist (PT Assistant, OT Assistant, Early Intervention Assistant, Nurse Aide)
Other EIP: Early Intervention Professionals other than OT, PT, SLP and Registered Nurses and Nurse Practitioners

Table C: Reimbursement Sources for Components of the Service Pathway for Children with Tricare, Private Insurance or No Third Party Payor Source

Step		TRICARE	Private Insurance	Other Funds**	Part C - POLR
Referral Steps				X	X
Intake				X	X
Developmental Screening				X	X
Hearing and Vision Screening				X	X
Eligibility Determination	SC			X	X
	EIP			X	X
Assessment for Eligibility	SC			X	X
	EIP- Child found eligible	PT, OT, SLP, N	X		X
		Other EIP			X
	EIP - Child found not eligible	X		X	X
Assessment for Service Planning	SC			X	X
	EIP	PT, OT, SLP, N	X		X
		Other EIP			X
IFSP Development	SC			X	X
	PT, PTA, OT, OTA, SLP, N			X	X
	EIP: Others and EIS			X	X
Provide Individual EI Services in Natural Environments	PT, PTA, OT, OTA, SLP, N	X	X	X	X
	EIP: ECE, etc			X	X
	Other Disc: AUD, Diet., etc.	X	X	X	X
	EIS: EIA, Nurse Aide			X	X
Provide Group EI Services in Natural Environments	PT, PTA, OT, OTA, SLP, N	X	X	X	X
	EIP: ECE, etc			X	X
	EIS: EIA, Nurse Aide			X	X
Provide Individual EI Services in Center Setting	PT, PTA, OT, OTA, SLP, N	X	X	X	X
	EIP: ECE, etc			X	X
	Other Disc: AUD, Diet., etc.	X	X	X	X
	EIS: EIA, Nurse Aide			X	X
Provide Group EI Services in Center Setting	PT, PTA, OT, OTA, SLP, N	X	X	X	X
	EIP: ECE, etc			X	X
	EIS: EIA, Nurse Aide			X	X
Team Meeting: Child/family present	PT, PTA, OT, OTA, SLP, N			X	X
	Other EIP and EIS			X	X
Team Meeting: Child/family not present	EIP and EIS			X	X

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ECE Early Childhood Educator **EIP** Early Intervention Professional (PT, OT, ECSE, etc.)
EIS Early Intervention Specialist (PT Assistant, OT Assistant, Early Intervention Assistant, Nurse Aide)
Other EIP: Early Intervention Professionals other than OT, PT, SLP and Registered Nurses and Nurse Practitioners

Table D: Medicaid Early Intervention Services Reimbursement Information

Code	Rate	Who bills	When is This Used	Location	Limits
T1023	27.50/unit	Reimbursement Category 2 Providers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial Assessment for Service Planning Development of IFSP Annual IFSP 	NE or Center-based	24 units/day and 36 units/year
T1023 U1	37.50/unit	Reimbursement Category 1 Providers			
T1024	27.50/unit	Reimbursement Category 2 Providers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Team Treatment activities (more than one professional providing services during same session for an individual child/family) Team Meetings child or family present Assessments that are done <u>after</u> the initial Assessment for Service Planning 	Natural Environments*	The maximum daily units/per child/ per code/ per provider agency is 12 units with a maximum of 18 units (for any combination of codes) per day per child for all providers
T1024 U1	37.50/unit	Reimbursement Category 1 Providers			
T1027	18.43/unit	Reimbursement Category 2 Providers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developmental Services and other early intervention services provided for more than one child by one Early Intervention Certified Specialist (congregate) 	Natural Environments*	
T1027 U1	27.50/unit		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developmental Services and other early intervention services provided for one child by one Early Intervention Certified Specialist 		
T1026	7.43/unit	Reimbursement Category 1 Providers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Center-based group early intervention services 	Center-based	
T1026 U1	22.50/unit		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Center-based individual early intervention services 	Center-based	
T1015	5.44/unit	Reimbursement Category 2 Providers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Center-based group early intervention services 	Center-based	
T1015 U1	16.49/unit		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Center-based individual early intervention services 	Center-based	
G0151	25.13/unit	Physical Therapists PTAs (RC 1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Congregate PT 	Natural Environments*	
G0151 U1	37.50/unit		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Individual PT 		
G0152	25.13/unit	Occupational Therapists & OTAs (RC 1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Congregate OT 	Natural Environments*	
G0152 U1	37.50/unit		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Individual OT 		
G0153	25.13/unit	Speech Language Therapists (RC 1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Congregate SLP 	Natural Environments*	
G0153 U1	37.50/unit		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Individual SLP 		
G0154	25.13/unit	RN or RNP (RC 1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Congregate Nursing Services 	Natural Environments*	
G0154 U1	37.50/unit		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Individual Nursing Services 		

* May include rare situations where services are provided in a center with acceptable justifications AND for which travel by the provider is required. See Infant & Toddler Connection of Virginia Practice Manual for information.