



# OAPSA Conference

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**Ohio** | Department  
of Education

# Today's Presenters

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# Topics

- Medicaid Schools Program
- Transportation of Children with Disabilities
- Workload Guidance Memo and the Workload Calculator
- Adjudicated Youth Memo





# Topics

- Restraint and Seclusion
- Dispute Resolution
- Application for Grant Funds: Innovative Strategies Youth with Disabilities
- Annual Performance Report
- Department staff update



# **Medicaid Schools Program: Billable Services Memo**

# **MSP Services: Billable for Medicaid Eligible Children with Disabilities**

Audiology

Nursing

Social Work

Targeted Case Management

Counseling

Occupational Therapy

Physical Therapy

Psychology

Speech-Language Pathology

Transportation

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Administration



**What does  
implementing the  
ORP requirement  
mean for the  
Medicaid Schools  
Program?**

# What does this mean for the Medicaid Schools Program?

**Beginning Aug. 1, 2016** (2016-17 school year):

To receive Medicaid reimbursement for services provided to a Medicaid eligible-student with a disability:

- Medicaid claims from MSP providers to ODM must include the name and NPI number of the individual who ordered/referred/prescribed the service for the student.



# What does this mean for the Medicaid Schools Program?

This **impacts claims for reimbursement** for:

- ✓ audiology services;
- ✓ occupational therapy services,
- ✓ physical therapy services,
- ✓ speech-language pathology services, AND
- ✓\* **nursing services**

\* NOTE: Nursing services have required ORP approval for coverage since the start of Ohio's Medicaid School Program and will continue to do so. There is also a requirement to provide the name and NPI of the registered provider

# No Change to IEP Process

***IEP team still makes decisions*** on what is best for a student's special education needs

***Therapists provide and document services***

## **To Receive Medicaid Reimbursement:**

Medical referral or an order is needed prior to the service being provided to Medicaid eligible students with disabilities.

# Next Steps

Guidance to support documentation and implementation of the new requirement

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Ongoing process for ODM and ODE to respond to questions

# For More Information



For more information, visit  
**education.ohio.gov.**

[SchoolMedicaid@education.ohio.gov](mailto:SchoolMedicaid@education.ohio.gov)

## **Provider Enrollment Questions:**

Contact Provider Network Management at  
1-800-686-1516



**Child with a  
Disability**

**Transportation**

# Transportation

Travel to and from school

Between schools

In and around school buildings

During and *outside* of normal school hours

Utilizing specialized equipment

# Transportation

A yellow school bus is the central focus of the image. The bus is parked on a paved area, and several students are visible. One student in a pink shirt is standing near the open door of the bus. Another student with a red backpack is partially visible on the left. The bus has a large window and a side door. The background shows a building and a clear sky.

Employment of bus aides for particular vehicles if deemed necessary by the district

Alternative pick up and drop off locations, such as curb, driveway or front door

# General Requirements





# Travel Time



Determined by the district and approved by the board of education for each district.

# Consultation

## **Consult transportation personnel:**

When transportation is being considered as a related service; and

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When the needs of the child require information to be shared in order to ensure the safety of the child.

# Pertinent Information

Drivers and transportation aides must have access to information that might affect:

Safe transportation of the child with a disability

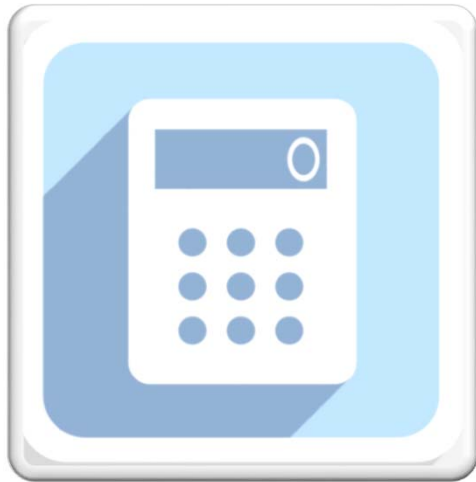
Medical well-being of the child

# **Emergency Evacuation and Pertinent Safety Precautions**

Must be considered when determining transportation for children with disabilities.

**Guidance Memo:**  
***Students with Disabilities  
in Community Based Juvenile  
Detention Centers and  
Adult Corrections***

# Workload/Caseload



Guidance Memo

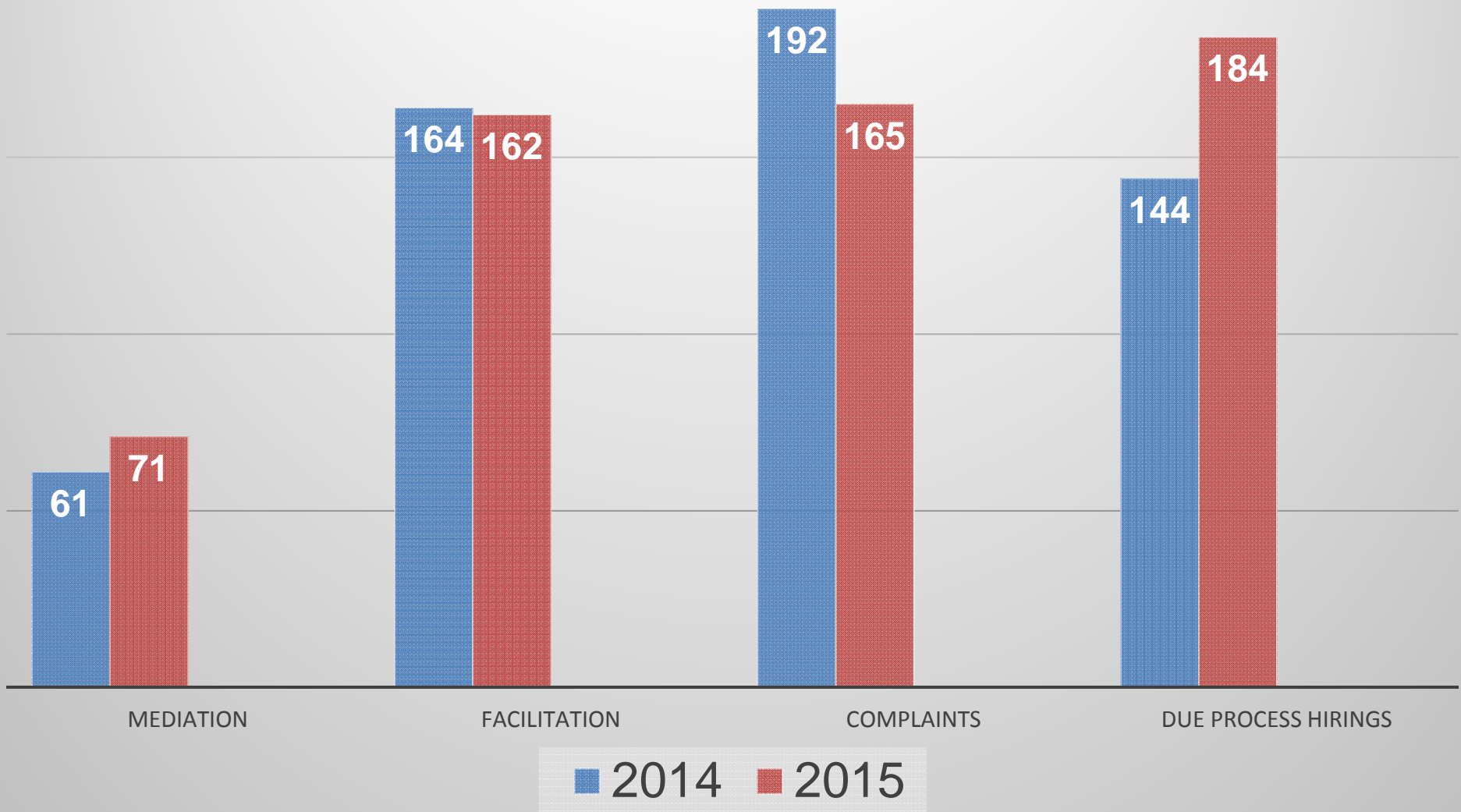
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Optional: Workload  
Calculator

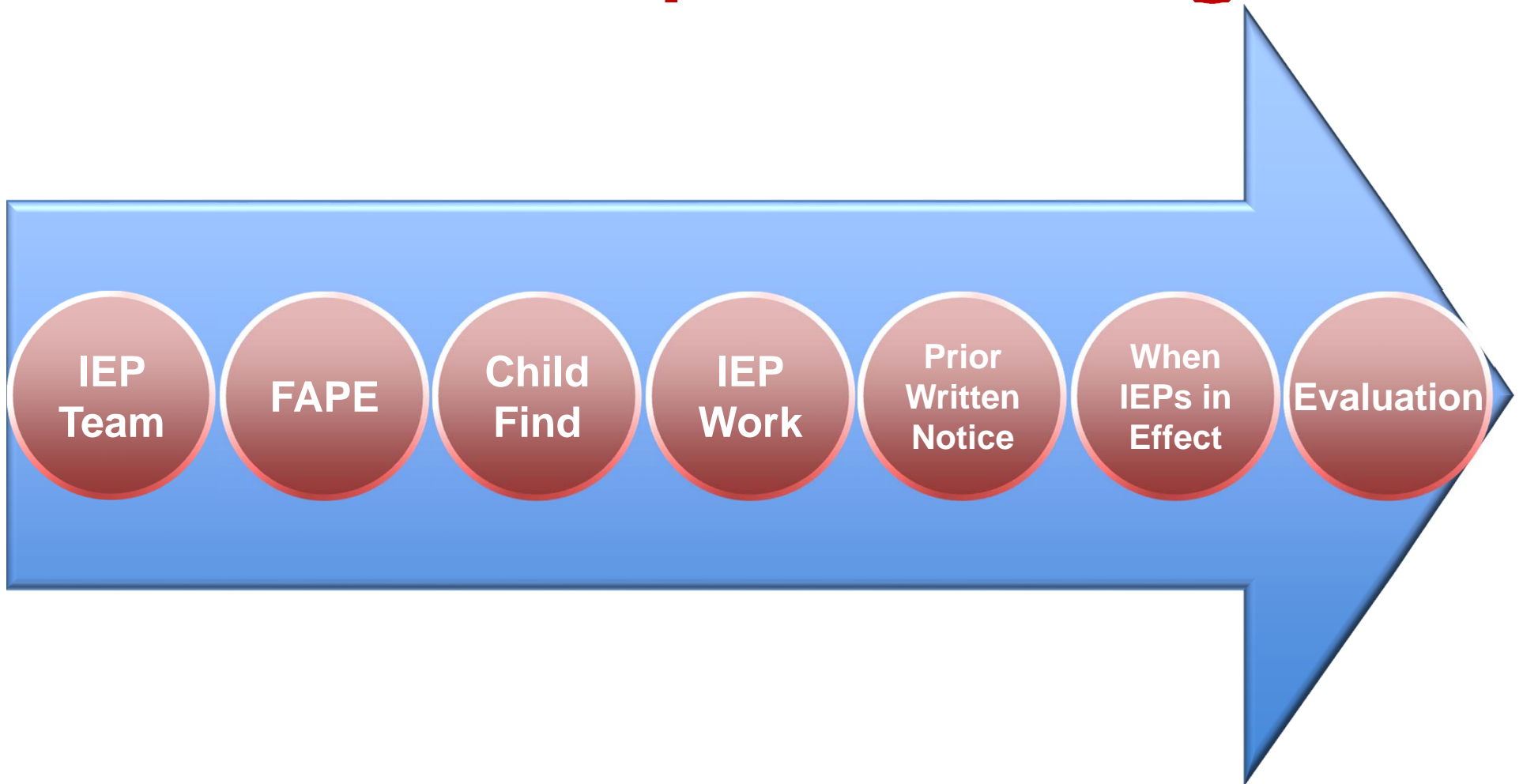
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Pre-recorded Training  
Videos (*coming soon*)

# IDEA Dispute Resolution



# 2015 Complaint Findings







***Innovative Strategies  
for Developing  
College and Career  
Readiness of  
Students with  
Disabilities  
Grant***

# **Status of Federal IDEA Reports**

**Annual Performance Report**

**Feb. 8, 2016**

**Indicators 3 and 7 will not be included**

**State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP):**

**Phase 2**

**April 1, 2016**

# Changes at ODE/OEC

**Lonny Rivera, Interim Superintendent**

**Urban Support Team, OEC**

**New Attorney, New Assistant  
Directors, New Staff for OEC**

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