

G. Medically Necessary Occupational and Physical Therapy

In accordance with the State Interagency Cooperative Agreement between the California Department of Education and the California Department of Health Services Children's Medical Services Branch California Children Services (CCS) Medical Therapy Program, CCS provides occupational therapy and physical therapy as part of a student's IEP when it is medically necessary.

G1. Procedures for inclusion of CCS Services in an IEP.

1. CCS provides medical therapy plans for clients to the SELPA and the SELPA ensures they are provided to the appropriate case manager.
2. The case manager, in consultation with the student's school based occupational therapist or physical therapist reviews the goals addressed by the medical therapy plan.
 - a. If the goals are determined to be necessary both educationally and medically, they are listed separately as a service on the IEP with CCS as the provider. Additionally, CCS should be indicated on the Education Settings page under "Other Agency Services."

Examples of goals that are medically necessary and likely to also be educationally necessary as a related service:

- i. Transfer from wheelchair to chair, stand with assistive device for 10 min, ambulate for 10', etc.
- b. If the goals are medical in nature and are **not** necessary for the pupil to benefit from their special education program, the services are not listed as an individual service on the IEP. CCS should be indicated on the Education Settings page under "Other Agency Services."

Examples of goals that are medically necessary and not likely to be educationally necessary as a related service:

- i. Maintenance of physical skills and abilities, such as maintenance of independent wheelchair mobility, maintenance of independent community ambulation, maintain independent lower body dressing, etc.
- ii. Negotiate stairs with a handrail.
- iii. Remove shirt with min assist, washing hands, etc.