



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
BUREAU OF COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS
DIVISION OF SCHOOL HEALTH
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STATE FORMULA FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

The Pennsylvania Department of Health, through Appropriation 654, provides reimbursement for state-mandated school health services as specified by law.*

MEDICAL SERVICES:

\$1.60 X ADM (Average Daily Membership) or certified costs, whichever is less.

Certified reimbursement costs include payment to school physicians, salaries of supplemental health staff, payment for special examinations, and cost of medical supplies/equipment necessary to carry out the mandated medical services program.

DENTAL SERVICES: (Mandated Dental Program or Dental Hygiene Program)

Mandated Dental:

\$.80 X ADM or certified costs, whichever is less.

Certified reimbursement costs include payment to school dentists, salaries of dental assistants, payment for diagnostic, preventive and treatment services, cost of fluoride products, and costs for dental supplies/equipment necessary to carry out the mandated dental services program.

OR

Dental Hygiene:

\$2.00 X number of children served, not to exceed ADM by grade level, or certified costs, whichever is less.

Certified reimbursement costs include salaries of dental hygienists, payment for diagnostic, preventive and treatment services, cost of fluoride products, cost of dental health education materials, and cost of dental supplies/equipment necessary to carry out the dental hygiene services program.

NURSING SERVICES:

\$7.00 X ADM or certified costs, whichever is less.

Certified reimbursement costs include salaries of the certified school nurses who perform mandated school nursing services (services include care for ill and injured students, referral and follow-up, mandated screenings, health counseling, maintenance of health records, coordination of the school

health program, and health promotion and wellness). Certified costs also include travel mileage reimbursement for certified nurses to perform services.

ACT 25 ALLOCATION:

Act 25 of 1991 provided for an increased allocation to schools through a non-categorical payment to help defer total program costs of the school health program. The Act provides for an additional \$9.70 X ADM to schools.

For more information or additional questions, contact:

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*References: Pennsylvania Public School Code of 1949, Article XXV, §2505.1 (State Reimbursement for Health Services)

Pennsylvania Public School Code of 1949, Article XIV (School Health Services)
28 Pennsylvania Code §§23.1 – 23.87 (Health Services)