

NOTICE

School Health and Related Services (SHARS) Personal Care Services (PCS) and Specialized Transportation Claiming Reminder

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) would like to remind Local Education Agencies (LEAs) who submit interim claims for **Personal Care Services (PCS) and Specialized Transportation** to review the SHARS TAC Rule updates in [1 TAC §355.8443](#), which were effective **October 7, 2022**.

As a reminder, LEAs must submit:

- (ii) interim claims for all personal care services that an eligible student receives within the cost report period; and
- (iii) interim claims for all eligible specialized transportation trips provided within the cost report period.

The claiming updates for PCS and Specialized Transportation require providers to submit a claim for *each* encounter for which they are seeking reimbursement. When filing electronic claims with Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP), if providers file multiple claims for the same individual on the same dates of service, those claims will deny.

Because of this, if providers have individuals that receive multiple instances of PCS or Specialized Transportation on the same date of service, those providers **must submit the total number of units of service for that individual (per 15 minutes) as one claim per day.**

Please consider the below examples:

Example 1:

- Individual PCS is provided at school from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. (5 hours)
- This is equal to 20 units of service (per 15 min)
 - The provider should submit **one** PCS claim for this individual for 20 units of service

DATE(S) OF SERVICE MMDDYY-MMDDYY	PROCEDURE CODE	MODIFIER	UNITS
110123-110123	T1019	U5	20

Example 2:

- Specialized Transportation is provided to school from 7:00 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.
- Specialized Transportation is provided to residence from 2:45 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.
- This is equal to 2 units of service.

- The provider should submit **one** Specialized Transportation claim for this individual for 2 units of service.

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110123-110123	T2003		2 one-way trips

Example 3:

- Individual PCS is provided on the bus from 7:00 a.m. to 7:15 a.m.
- Individual PCS is provided at school from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Group PCS is provided at school from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
- Individual PCS is provided on the bus from 3:30 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.
- This is equal to 18 units of service (per 15 min).
 - The provider should submit **one** PCS claim for this individual for 18 units of service

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110122-110122	T1019	U6	1 one-way trip
110122-110122	T1019	U5	8
110122-110122	T1019	U5, UD	8
110122-110122	T1019	U6	1 one-way trip

If you have any questions about the guidance above, please contact the HHSC SHARS staff at (512) 730-7400 or email us at ProviderFinanceSHARS@hhs.texas.gov.

