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*Wyoming Medicaid Enrolled Students Receiving Special Education Services*

**Wyoming Statute 21-13-321(j) provides:**

*A school district may report the number of Medicaid eligible students receiving special education programs and services enrolled with the school district on forms and in such manner required by the department for the 2021-2022 school year. Beginning with the 2022-2023 school year and each school year thereafter, a school district shall report the number of Medicaid eligible students receiving special education programs and services enrolled with the school district on forms and in the manner required by the department. The number of Medicaid eligible students receiving special education programs and services for a school year shall be determined by the department of education using data from October 1 of the immediately preceding school year.*

**Wyoming School-Based Services Medicaid Program**

During the 2021 General Session, the Wyoming Legislature authorized school districts to allow for billing reimbursement of school-based services for eligible Medicaid-enrolled students. The Wyoming School-Based Services (SBS) Medicaid Program was authorized through the [School-Based Services Act (2021 SF0079).](https://www.wyoleg.gov/Legislation/2021/SF0079) The program went into effect starting in July 2022 in collaboration with the Wyoming Department of Health (WDH) and the Wyoming Department of Education (WDE). The program authorizes Local Education Agencies (LEAs) to receive Medicaid reimbursement for certain health-related services provided by qualified practitioners to Medicaid enrolled students with an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). Eligible Services for reimbursement include speech language pathology, audiology, nursing, occupational therapy, physical therapy, and mental health therapy.

**Background on Data Collection**

W.S. 21-13-321(j) currently requires all districts to report the below information to the WDE. The WDE and WDH maintain a data-sharing MOU facilitating the transfer of Medicaid eligible data between departments. This agreement reduces the data collection and reporting burden on school districts and families, ensures data quality, and satisfies the original intent of the legislation.

**DATA TABLE**

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| School District | Total Students on IEPs | Medicaid Enrolled | Percentage of Medicaid Enrolled Students on IEPs |
| Albany #1 | 697 | 285 | 40.89% |
| Big Horn #1 | 273 | 117 | 42.86% |
| Big Horn #2 | 113 | 49 | 43.36% |
| Big Horn #3 | 116 | 54 | 46.55% |
| Big Horn #4 | 72 | 32 | 44.44% |
| Campbell #1 | 1180 | 422 | 35.76% |
| Carbon #1 | 305 | 105 | 34.43% |
| Carbon #2 | 145 | 57 | 39.31% |
| Converse #1 | 373 | 152 | 40.75% |
| Converse #2 | 132 | 55 | 41.67% |
| Crook #1 | 232 | 73 | 31.47% |
| Fremont #1 | 305 | 154 | 50.49% |
| Fremont #14 | 123 | 82 | 66.67% |
| Fremont #2 | 20 | <10\* |  |
| Fremont #21 | 116 | 78 | 67.24% |
| Fremont #24 | 81 | 33 | 40.74% |
| Fremont #25 | 602 | 315 | 52.33% |
| Fremont #38 | 126 | 94 | 74.60% |
| Fremont #6 | 62 | 28 | 45.16% |
| Goshen #1 | 295 | 166 | 56.27% |
| Hot Springs #1 | 115 | 40 | 34.78% |
| Johnson #1 | 171 | 49 | 28.65% |
| Laramie #1 | 2447 | 1012 | 41.36% |
| Laramie #2 | 248 | 86 | 34.68% |

 \*Denotes a school district with less than 10 Medicaid enrolled students.

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| Lincoln #1 | 134 | 36 | 26.87% |
| Lincoln #2 | 482 | 135 | 28.01% |
| Natrona #1 | 2530 | 1176 | 46.48% |
| Niobrara #1 | 227 | 99 | 43.61% |
| Park #1 | 330 | 152 | 46.06% |
| Park #16 | 13 | <10\* |  |
| Park #6 | 400 | 159 | 39.75% |
| Platte #1 | 155 | 56 | 36.13% |
| Platte #2 | 54 | 29 | 53.70% |
| Sheridan #1 | 181 | 62 | 34.25% |
| Sheridan #2 | 435 | 188 | 43.22% |
| Sheridan #3 | 22 | <10\* |  |
| Sublette #1 | 167 | 41 | 24.55% |
| Sublette #9 | 103 | 42 | 40.78% |
| Sweetwater #1 | 1035 | 392 | 37.87% |
| Sweetwater #2 | 462 | 176 | 38.10% |
| Teton #1 | 343 | 84 | 24.49% |
| Uinta #1 | 528 | 208 | 39.39% |
| Uinta #4 | 129 | 36 | 27.91% |
| Uinta #6 | 142 | 57 | 40.14% |
| Washakie #1 | 236 | 109 | 46.19% |
| Washakie #2 | 19 | <10\* |  |
| Weston #1 | 157 | 55 | 35.03% |
| Weston #7 | 48 | 16 | 33.33% |

 Total: 6,907

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