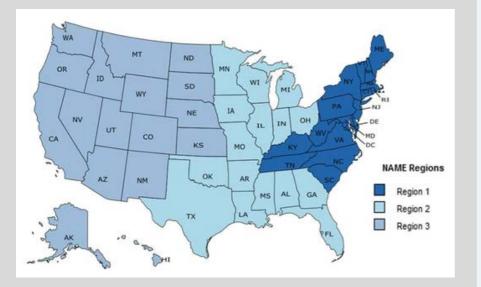


### JENNY'S JOURNAL January/February 2023

It has been said that there is no end to the good that one may do if you don't care who gets the credit. As I have been meeting with many of our members, associates and vendors from across the nation this phrase has continued to come to mind. YOU ARE DOING SO MUCH GOOD! The work that you are engaged in is tedious and challenging but it is packed with GOOD! Your efforts to create sustainable programming are allowing students in your charge to have more access to services than has ever been possible. Keep doing GOOD!



Dr. Jenny Millward



NAME is divided into 3 regions Region 1: Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia Region 2: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Texas, Puerto Rico, US Virgin Islands, Wisconsin Region 3: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wyoming

### **Membership Committee Spotlight**

Want to contribute?

Join the Membership Committee! - Assist in recruitment and maintenance of membership - Improve the membership experience - Assist in member onboarding

NAME would like representation on the Membership committee from each region. See Map Above

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Do you know your NAME region?

#### **Executive Committee Message**

I joined NAME in 2018 as a member after learning about the annual conference at our state's annual school-based Medicaid training. As a Medicaid coordinator for a small, rural LEA, getting exposure to the wider world of school-based Medicaid was incredibly helpful, if overwhelming at first! I attended my first conference in 2018 in Baltimore, Maryland. It was a fantastic 4 days of networking with others working in school-based health and Medicaid-in-education fields and engaging with and learning from federal partners like CMS, OIG, and USDOE. But what I loved most about this (and every!) conference was the opportunity to connect and build relationships with others in my own state, from fellow coordinators to state Medicaid and education agencies.

NAME has continued to provide me with countless opportunities to network with people who share my same job in other states and to learn best practices, hot tips, and gain critical knowledge that can help improve our school-based Medicaid programs. Since every state's school Medicaid program is different, NAME's collaborative networking focus bridges the gaps between programs and allows for effective information sharing for the benefit of everyone. I encourage anyone who works in school-based health or Medicaid to consider joining NAME; the relationships and learning opportunities NAME fosters will help to support you and your program in countless ways! Marlee Hart, NAME Secretary (CO) Montezuma-Cortez/Dolores/Archuleta/San Juan BOCES Medicaid Coordinator



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> Marlee Hart NAME Secretary Colorado

#### CMS Guidance Regarding School-Based Medicaid Katy Irwin, Michigan

The topic that had drawn quite a bit of attention at the 2022 Annual NAME Conference was the August 18, 2022 CMCS Informational Bulletin (1) that was issued regarding School-Based Services in Medicaid. To provide insight, NAME was pleased to have Daniel Tsai speak at the conference, where he intermittently fielded questions that the attendees had posed. The collaboration seen between national, state, local entities and other stakeholders during his presentation was proof that healthcare in the schools is a valuable and key asset to student learning.

The intent of the 19-page bulletin was to "remind states of the applicable federal regulations and policies related to Medicaid-covered SBS (2), and to help states and school-based providers implement, maintain and expand (3) their school-based programs in the most efficient manner possible."

To support access to Medicaid SBS, the bulletin was just one of several steps CMS plans to take. CMS intends to issues additional guidance in the coming months, most notably an update to the existing SBS guide, which will encompass the Medicaid School Based Administrative Claiming Guide (4) and Medicaid and Schools Technical Assistance Guide (5).

As always, NAME works diligently to provide quality content for members!

1 https://www.medicaid.gov/federal-policy-guidance/downloads/sbscib081820222.pdf 2 Unless stated otherwise, all reference to Medicaid beneficiaries also includes beneficiaries enrolled in Medicaidexpansion CHIPs (Children's Health Insurance Program)

3 See State Medicaid Director Letter #14-006, "Medicaid Payment for Services Provided without Charge (Free Care)" (Dec. 15, 2014), https://www.medicaid.gov/federal-policy-guidance/downloads/smd-medicaid-payment-for-services-provided-without-charge-free-care.pdf

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