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## SERVICE FEE MEMORANDUM

## **Speech Therapy Service Fee**

TO: Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Staff

Client Assistance Program Administrator

**FROM:** Executive Director

Office of Vocational Rehabilitation

**THROUGH:** Field Services Division Director

Office of Vocational Rehabilitation

**DATE:** Effective: December 15, 2023

Speech-Language Pathology (SLP) is a field that diagnoses and treats language, speech, and communication impairments. At times, it may be necessary to utilize speech-language assessments in order to assist with diagnosis and treatment as well as vocational planning. A counselor may authorize for a Speech Language Pathology (SLP) assessment if a consumer struggles with any form of expressive or receptive communication that may impact their ability to pursue training or employment. It may also be necessary to pursue SLP assessments if a consumer has had a recent accident or impairment (TBI, nerve damage, etc.).

Speech Language Pathology assessments may be purchased to diagnose and treat language/speech impairment(s) by a qualified practitioner (e.g., Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist). SLP assessments can be used to determine eligibility or as a service on the consumer's Individualized Plan for Employment. All services are individualized and must be authorized in advance.



For diagnosis and treatment, <u>6 speech therapy visits</u> may be paid for if recommended by a qualified practitioner, and is deemed necessary to prepare for, secure, retain, advance in, or regain competitive integrated employment. Any additional speech therapy sessions require approval by a Branch Manager or a designee. Comparable benefits must be utilized before agency funding.

## Fee Schedule

Item	Code	Allowable Rate
CPT Code 92523: The Evaluation of Speech Sound Production with Evaluation of Language Comprehension and Expression.	10 C	\$217.39
CPT Code 92522: Evaluation of speech sound production (e.g., articulation, phonological process, apraxia, dysarthria).	10 C	\$106.18
CPT Code 92521: Evaluation of Speech Fluency (Stuttering, Cluttering, Etc.)	10C	\$126.78
CPT Code 92507: Treatment of Speech, Language, Voice, Communication, and/or auditory processing Disorders.	21 E	\$73.04 (up to 6 sessions)

