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President’s Corner

Dear NAME Members:

“How can I find my counterparts in other states?” “Which states have Medicaid School Based Services (SBS) direct billing/administrative outreach billing programs?” “What is the fiscal impact/value of the Medicaid SBS program in each state?” “How do states distribute the portion of the federal Medicaid SBS reimbursement federal financial participation (FFP)?”

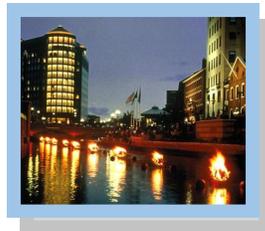
These are real questions that NAME receives on a regular basis. Sometimes the inquiry is via our website (under *Contact Us*). Sometimes the question is posed to a member of the NAME Leadership Team. You have probably been asked similar questions from your organization, state Medicaid and education agencies, federal agencies, news reporters, friends, etc. Credible organizations rely on data to continuously improve their product and services.

The ability to gather this data every two years supports NAME’s efforts to share information, provide professional development, facilitate networking and build relationships. Ultimately, it will help you do your work more efficiently and effectively. [<Click here to read the full article >](#)

Yours in good health,

Jane Reagan (MI) & *Steven Wright* (NY)
 President President-Elect

2012 Conference Update



NAME’s 10th Annual Conference

Our ‘Call For Presenters’ deadline is approaching- If you are interested in submitting a proposal to present on a topics such as: Health Care Reform, CMS 5010 and 6028 implementation, audit experiences, or documentation of services, please go to our web site at www.medicaidforeducation.com and follow the links to the Annual Conference page.

The 2012 Conference Committee has been busy; the Preliminary Program for the 2012 conference has been posted website, and we are excited about planning for Regional Town Hall meetings. We know from the post conference surveys how much you valued these sessions, so we are planning to have them early to provide you the opportunity to connect and network with others from your region during the course of the conference. Coming soon, we will notify you when conference registration and associated registration events open up on Reg-Online.

The Committee has also selected The Impossible Dream, Inc. as our silent auction proceeds recipient. This organization is a Rhode Island charity that is committed to fulfilling the dreams of children with special health care needs. It has sent children to Disney World, recreated proms, built accessible play areas. For more information, go to its web site at www.impossibledreaminc.org/.

We are also excited to have finalized two social events during your time in Rhode Island.

- ◇ A bus Tour To Newport, our beautiful city by the sea, and
- ◇ Discounted tickets to *Catch Me if You Can* playing at the Providence Performing Arts Center during our conference week (PPAC- www.ppacri.org/)

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NAME, Inc. would like to thank the following three companies for their generous support as a Gold Sponsor to the 9th Annual NAME Conference:

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NAME Election October

NAME Needs YOU! NAME Nominating Committee, Steven Wright (NY)

Attention potential leaders and voting members of NAME! It is never too early to consider submitting your name, or the name of another, to the NAME Nominating Committee for an Officer or Director position on the 2012/13 NAME Board of Directors.

The NAME Board of Directors is comprised of 12 Regional Directors and five Officers. The election for seats on the NAME Board of Directors will take place in October 2012. This year, there are eight seats up for election/Board appointment as noted below:

- Board Director: **Region 1 LEA** (term ends 2015)
- Board Director: **Region 2 Education** (term ends 2015) • Board Director: **Region 2 LEA** (term ends 2015)
- Board Director: **Region 3 Medicaid** (term ends 2015) • Board Director: **Region 3 Education** (term ends 2014)
- Board Director: **At-Large Education** (term ends 2015)
- Officer: **Secretary** (appointed by the Board for two-year term)
- Officer: **President-Elect**

Each Board Director is a three-year position, elected by the NAME voting members with the exception of the Region 3 Education Director, which is a two-year term. The President-Elect position is a one-year position, elected by the NAME voting members.

More information on the 2012/13 nominations process can be found by logging into the Member's Only section and selecting the Nominating Committee's web page on the NAME website at:

http://www.medicaidforeducation.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=151&Itemid=199

News from the Regions 1-2-3

Remember to log-on to the Member's Only section for full articles
They can be found on the top menu > Keep Informed > Regional News

News from Region Two -

Iowa's LEA Medicaid Program is in its 10th Year and Continues to Grow- *Jim Donoghue (IA)*
The program here recognizes a broad range of IEP-ordered services- audiology, behavioral health paraprofessional, medical transportation, nursing, nutrition, occupational and physical therapies, personal health paraprofessional, school psychology, school social work, speech/language services, vision/orientation/mobility services and primary and preventive care services at school-based health centers. [<Click here to read the full article>](#)

Michigan Updates- *Kathy Merry (MI)*
First, both Michigan and the NAME leadership board are sad about the recent departure of Scott DeVarona as our State Medicaid agency representative on the NAME board. Scott has been a real pleasure to work with in Michigan; he will definitely be missed. The NAME Nominating Committee is busy looking for a replacement and calls have gone out to the states in our Region to see if interested candidates exist. [<Click here to read the full article>](#)

Ohio's Office for Healthcare Transformation (OHT) Continues to Develop New Ways for Medicaid to Better Serve the Most Vulnerable Ohio Students - *Mark Smith, OH*
Two recent developments place an emphasis on increasing access to Medicaid primary care services. Firstly, Ohio is poised to begin development of a separate Medicaid provider status for School-Based Healthcare Centers (SBHCs). These centers will be able to bill Medicaid directly for primary care services by providing them in a clinic setting on school grounds. This effort should also allow SBHCs to become part of Medicaid Managed Care Organizations' (MCOs) provider panels. [<Click here to read the full article>](#)

In the Media

Communications Committee, Larry Charny (NY)

Holding the mirror up to recent Medicaid and special education issues covered by the media – cause for reflection among our membership.

- ◊ ["Autism is costing society \\$137 billion annually, according to new estimates that suggest a three-fold increase in less than a decade."](#)

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