

**Subject** Third-Party Reimbursement for Services Provided by School Social Workers

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## Overview

School districts provide a variety of services to students who have an individualized education program. Some of these services are health-related. Minnesota's statutes and rules allow some health-related services for these students to be charged by the schools to the health care systems through a process commonly referred to as third-party billing.

H.F. 945, notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 9505.0371, explicitly allows third-party billing for health-related school social work services. In order for these services provided by social workers to be reimbursable, the bill requires the school social worker to: (1) hold a master's degree in social work; (2) be licensed by the Board of Social Work; (3) be licensed by the Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board as a school social worker; and (4) currently hold an independent clinical social worker license issued by the Board of Social Work or hold a graduate social worker or independent social worker license and working under the supervision of a licensed independent clinical social worker.

## Summary

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| 1 | <b>Special education services.</b><br>Expands third-party reimbursement for certain health-related services provided by qualified school social workers to students with an individualized education program. |
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