

California NEWS ADVISORY

for LEA Billing Option Program Coordinators

Certain Credentialed Speech-Language Pathologists No Longer Require Supervision

California's State Plan Amendment (SPA) 05-010, approved by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), redefines the supervision requirements for certain credentialed speech-language pathologists participating in the CA LEA Billing Option Program.

The measure **removes** supervision requirements for speech-language pathologists who have:

- a Preliminary Services Credential in speech-language pathology;
- a Professional Clear Services Credential in speech-language pathology.

Speech-language pathologists who hold the older CTC Clinical or Rehabilitative Services Credential in Language, Speech, and Hearing **must continue to be supervised** by either an SLP with a clear Speech-Language Pathology license or the new CTC Professional Clear Services Credential in Speech-Language Pathology.

SPA 05-010, written in October 2009, was a joint venture between DHCS and the LEA Ad-Hoc Workgroup.

Approval for SPA 05-010 can be found [here](#)¹. Additional information for SPA 05-010 from DHCS can be found [here](#)².

¹ http://www.leaderservices.com/services/ca/cna/SPA_05-010.pdf

² <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Documents/ACLSS/LEA/Speech%20Language%20Equivalency%20SPA%20Summary.pdf>