

Read Me First - Wisconsin Medicaid

AAC Evaluation

The AAC Evaluation is valid for 1 year. The AAC evaluation must be completed prior to the Physician's Certificate of Medical Necessity.

Physician Requirement

Medicaid requires that the client have (A) a face-to-face examination (see below) with their physician no more than 6 months prior to (B) the written order/CMN (see below) for the speech generating device (SGD).

- (A) During the face-to-face visit, the physician must document that the client was evaluated and/or treated for a condition that supports the SGD.
 - This documentation must be recorded in the patient's medical record/chart notes (not in a separate letter)
 - The chart notes or office visit notes must contain:
 - o Date of the face-to-face examination
 - o Name and credentials of the physician or NPP who conducted the face-to-face examination for the SGD.
 - The clinical findings that support the client's need for the SGD
 - Signature of prescribing physician or NP that conducted the face-to-face examination.
 - This documentation must be provided along with (but separate from) the written order/CMN (see below) for the SGD.
- (B) The Certificate of Medical Necessity (CMN) will need to be provided in addition to the office visit/chart notes.
 - This must have the specific equipment listed that matches the report by the Speech Pathologist (i.e., cannot simply list "high tech device" – must list actual equipment and accessories, such as "Accent 1000 with 28-location keyguard," etc.).
 - This needs to be **signed and dated** by the physician (after the face-to-face examination)

PA/DMEA Form

The PA/DMEA form will need to be fully completed and signed by the Speech Language Pathologist. The client's full name will need to be listed. Client initials are not accepted.

Individualized Educational Plan (IEP)

The IEP is required for school-aged clients.

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