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Audiological evaluation is the determination of the range, nature, and degree of a child's hearing loss and communication functions for the purpose of modifying communicative behavior. Audiological services included in a child's Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) must be provided by a qualified audiologist who is licensed by the State of Mississippi.

Qualifications

A qualified audiologist is one who:

- Is licensed by the state in which the individual furnishes the services, **AND**
- Meets the requirements of CFR 440.110:
 - Has a master's or doctoral degree in audiology
 - Has received a license from a state that requires the following conditions be met for licensure:
 1. Has a Certificate of Clinical Competence in Audiology granted by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association for licensure

or

 2. Has successfully completed a minimum of 350 clock-hours of supervised clinical practicum (or is in the process of accumulating that supervised clinical experience under the supervision of a qualified master or doctor-level audiologist); performed at least 9 months of full-time audiology services under the supervision of a qualified master or doctoral-level audiologist after obtaining a master's or doctoral degree in audiology, or a related field; and successfully completed a national examination in audiology approved by the Secretary.

OR

 - In the case of an individual who furnishes audiology services in a State that does not license audiologists, or an individual exempted from State licensure based on practice in a specific institution or setting, the individual must meet one of the conditions stated above.

For additional provider requirements, refer to Provider Policy Manual Section 4.12 Audiologist/Hearing Aid Dealer.

Reimbursement

DOM will provide reimbursement for one (1) medically necessary audiological evaluation per fiscal year (July 1 through June 30). Providers must bill using the appropriate CPT code.

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 - ~~Has a certificate of clinical competence from the American Speech and Hearing Association~~
 - ~~Has completed the equivalent educational requirements and work experiences necessary for the certificate, **OR**~~
 - ~~Has completed the academic program and is acquiring supervised work experience to qualify for the certificate.~~
 - Has a master's or doctoral degree in audiology
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