



Monday Message

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Special Education Module

The following information outlines the revised Accommodation Categories, Tests and Test Codes, Annual Goal Areas, Evaluation Procedures, and Services that have been updated in ECATS.

ACCOMMODATION CATEGORIES (TEST NAMES)

OLD TEST NAME	NEW TEST NAME
ACCESS for ELLs and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs	
ACCESS for ELLs - Listening	ACCESS - Listening
ACCESS for ELLs - Reading	ACCESS - Reading
ACCESS for ELLs - Speaking	ACCESS - Speaking
ACCESS for ELLs - Writing	ACCESS - Writing
Alternate ACCESS for ELLs - Listening	Alternate ACCESS - Listening
Alternate ACCESS for ELLs - Reading	Alternate ACCESS - Reading
Alternate ACCESS for ELLs - Speaking	Alternate ACCESS - Speaking
Alternate ACCESS for ELLs - Writing	Alternate ACCESS - Writing
Beginning of Grade 3 Reading Test	
Beginning of Grade 3 Reading	BOG3 – Reading
Career and Technical Education (CTE) Assessments	
NC CTE State Assessment	CTE Postassessments
College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessment (CCRAA)	
College and Career Readiness Alternate	College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessment
End-of-Course (EOC) Tests	
End-of-Course - Biology	EOC - Biology
End-of-Course - English II	EOC - English II
End-of-Course - NC Math 1	EOC - NC Math 1

End-of-Course NC Math 3	EOC - NC Math 3
End-of-Grade (EOG) Tests	
End-of-Grade Mathematics	EOG - Math
End-of-Grade Science	EOG - Science
End-of-Grade Reading	EOG - Reading
North Carolina Final Exams (NCFEs)	
NCFE American History: The Founding Principles, Civics, and Economics	NCFE American Hist: Founding Principles, Civics, and Econ
NCFE English Language IV	NCFE English IV
NCFE Grades 6-8 Social Studies	NCFE Social Studies

TEST CODE CHANGES		
Test Name:	Old Test Code:	New Test Code:
NCEXTEND1 - Science	E1S2	E1S

INACTIVATED/RETIRED TESTS AND TEST CODES	
Test Name:	Test Code:
ACTExplore (accommodations must follow EXPLORE policy)	EXPL
ACTPlan (accommodations must follow PLAN policy)	PLAN
NAEP (Grades 4,8,12)	NAEP
NCFE Integrated Math III	FI3
NCFE NC Math 3	FEM3
Read to Achieve Grade 3 ELA/Reading	RTA

ANNUAL GOAL AREAS

Modified:

Campus Access *MODIFIED TO* Campus/Program Access
 Self-Advocacy *MODIFIED TO* Self-Advocacy/Self-Determination
 Speech-Articulation *MODIFIED TO* Articulation/Speech Sound

Added:

Orientation & Mobility
 Phonologic Awareness
 Student Engagement
 Use of Appropriate Behaviors to Meet Needs
 VI: ECC Orientation and Mobility

Removed:

Language - Oral Development
 Sign Language Development

EVAL PROCEDURES

Added:

Functional Outcome Measures
Language Assessment: HB 317 DF/Hi
Need for Assistance/Support/Cues
Self-Reported Student Log

SERVICES

Modified:

Adapted P.E.— Special Ed Services *MODIFIED TO* Transition Services

Special Note: When Adapted Physical Education was added as a Transition Service, it was inadvertently removed from Special Education services. APE will be added back to Special Education Services after close of business today and accessible to users tomorrow 8/18/20.

Physical Therapy – Related Services *MODIFIED TO* Transition Services

Added (Related Services):

Auditory Development
Expressive Language
Parent Counseling & Training
Phonologic Awareness
Receptive Language
Recreation
Self-Advocacy
Social Work
VI: ECC - Orientation and Mobility
Vocabulary

Removed:

DF/Hi: Assistive Technology
DF/Hi: Auditory Development
DF/Hi: Cued Language
DF/Hi: Self-Advocacy
DF/Hi: Sign Language
DF/Hi: Spoken Language
DF/Hi: Vocabulary
Nursing: Bus

Service Documentation Module

Updates to Service Type Dropdown Menus

The following changes will be made to service type selections on or around 8/17/20.

	Adding	Removing
OT	<p>Treatment - Gait Training Activities (VRS) Treatment - Gait Training Activities</p> <p>Treatment - Orthoptic and/or Pleoptic Training (VRS) Treatment - Orthoptic and/or Pleoptic Training</p> <p>Treatment - Application of Cast, Elbow to Finger (short arm)</p> <p>Treatment - Application of Cast to Hand and Lower Forearm</p> <p>Treatment - Application of Long Arm Splint (Shoulder to Hand)</p> <p>Treatment - Application of Non-Movable, Short Arm Splint (Forearm to Hand)</p> <p>Treatment - Application of Moveable, Hinged Short Arm Splint (Forearm to Hand)</p> <p>Treatment - Application of Non-Movable, Hinged Finger Splint</p> <p>Treatment - Application of Moveable, Hinged Finger Splint</p> <p>Treatment - Strapping of Shoulder</p> <p>Treatment - Strapping of Elbow or Wrist</p> <p>Treatment - Strapping of Hand or Finger</p> <p>Treatment - Strapping of Knee</p> <p>Treatment - Strapping of Ankle and/or Foot</p>	<p>Muscle Testing</p>
PT	<p>Treatment - Application of Long Arm Splint (Shoulder to Hand)</p> <p>Treatment - Application of Non-Movable, Short Arm Splint (Forearm to Hand)</p> <p>Treatment - Application of Moveable, Hinged Short Arm Splint (Forearm to Hand)</p>	<p>Muscle Testing</p> <p>Evaluation - Oral Function for Feeding</p>

	<p>Treatment - Application of Non-Movable, Hinged Finger Splint</p> <p>Treatment - Application of Moveable, Hinged Finger Splint</p> <p>Treatment - Strapping of Shoulder</p> <p>Treatment - Strapping of Elbow or Wrist</p> <p>Treatment - Strapping of Hand or Finger</p> <p>Treatment - Strapping of Knee</p> <p>Treatment - Strapping of Ankle and/or Foot</p> <p>Treatment - Application of Long Leg Splint</p> <p>Treatment - Application of Lower Leg Splint</p>	
SLP	<p>Treatment - Speech Generating Device</p> <p>(VRS) Treatment - Speech Generating Device</p> <p>Treatment - Auditory rehabilitation; prelingual hearing loss</p> <p>(VRS) Treatment - Auditory rehabilitation; prelingual hearing loss</p> <p>Treatment - Auditory rehabilitation; postlingual hearing loss</p> <p>(VRS) Treatment - Auditory rehabilitation; postlingual hearing loss</p> <p>Evaluation - Prescription for Speech Generating & Alt. Comm. Device (Face to Face)</p> <p>(VRS) Evaluation - Prescription for Speech Generating & Alt. Comm. Device (Face to Face)</p>	
Psychological and Counseling Services		<p>Neurobehavioral Status Examination</p> <p>Muscle Testing</p> <p>Evaluation - Oral Function for Feeding</p>

Use of Assessment/Evaluation Codes

In anticipation of the potential need for multiple assessment cycles for some students in the coming school year, Division of Health Benefits (DHB)/NC Medicaid has clarified that assessment codes are reimbursable no more frequently than every 6 months, given all other policy requirements are met. This should not impact educational decision-making.

Removal of Parent Consent and Physician Order Tracking

In the coming weeks/months, tracking of one-time parental consent and physician orders will be phased out of the ECATS Service Documentation module. LEAs will need to arrange for these functions with their third-party billing vendors. Sample one-time parental consent and annual notifications (in English and Spanish) can be found at:

<https://ec.ncpublicschools.gov/finance-grants/medicaid-in-education/resources>

For previous issues of the ECATS Monday Message, please visit https://ec.ncpublicschools.gov/ecats/monday_messages.