

Sample Statements for IEP's

When a para is listed on the service page on an IEP there needs to be a statement under the Adaptation section.

The personal care assistant services that are eligible for payment are services and supports furnished to an individual, as needed, to assist in accomplishing activities of daily living; instrumental activities of daily living; health related functions through hands on assistance, supervision, and cuing; and redirection and intervention for behavior including observation and monitoring.

Some suggestions for the statements:

- Paraprofessional assigned to support and assist with self care needs such as dressing, toileting, eating, grooming.
- Paraprofessional has been assigned to assist with transferring student from one position to another such as from sitting to standing. Also to provide therapy by doing brushing and joint compressions per OT recommendations
- The paraprofessional will be needed to assist with sensory, fine motor, gross motor and communication activities
- Paraprofessional is assigned to maintain range of motion, muscle strengthening exercises and other tasks to maintain optimal level of functions.
- Paraprofessional is to observe and redirect John's in appropriate behavior, which may become self-injurious or injury to others due to his diagnosis
 - of _____
- Susie has frequent manic-depressive episodes and without constant observation and intervention, Susie's behavior has the potential to lead to injury to other students. Behavior that may lead to potential damage to property.
- Bill is obsessive compulsive and has a history of self-injury related to picking his skin. A para will be assigned during the school day to observe and redirect his behavior to reduce the potential for self-injury.
- John will have a paraprofessional assigned for redirection /intervention / cuing due to potential cause of injury to himself; John is not aware of situations that are or may be dangerous to him, such as wandering out of the building into the street... (other examples may be used)

Assistive Technology Device Services

John will be placed in a stander for 15 minutes 2 times a day to maintain bone strength.

Jim's size requires staff use a Hoyer lift for safe transfers

A variety of augmentative communication devices will be tried to determine what type will best meet Stan's needs. Once determined, the device will be obtained and maintained in proper working order.

Special Transportation Services

Sam uses a wheel chair for mobility and needs a bus with a wheel chair lift and tie downs.

Marty exhibits, or without appropriate adult supervision exhibits, behavior that has potential to harm other individuals. Special transportation will be provided with appropriate Para supervision to observe and intervene when harmful behaviors occur.

Due to Duane's extreme vulnerability and history of exiting the bus before his stop, special transportation will be provided. A Para will monitor Duane and redirect him to his seat as needed.

Some key words that can be used to describe need for para

Physical and motor abilities

Self-help skills

Setting up AT Devices/ Cleaning devices

Lack of awareness of the feelings of others and little or no social interaction or communication with others.

Self isolating/ adapt to changes in their environment

Loss of temper; arguing with adults; refusal to obey; easily annoyed; resentful; obscene language and impulsive actions.

To observe and intervene to stay on task to complete school work and class assignments is NOT Covered.

Special Transportation Covered by 3rd Party Billing

All special transportation must be listed on the IEP under Adaptation area and must state **WHY** the student needs special transportation.

Child has a physical impairment where they need or have special equipment that keeps them from safely riding the regular school bus. Child requires special adaptation such as wheelchair lift, special harness, safety vest or special car seat. This does not require a para on the bus.

If a student needs special transportation due to behavior issues which is for safety of themselves and others then there must be 1 para to monitor up to 3 students. But each student must require a one on one para to be transported safely. The bus driver can not be the Para also!!!

Student must receive another MA service, such as speech, on the day transported to be able to bill MA.

If there is a driver and the student only, this is not billable.