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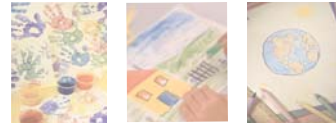
School-Based ACCESS Program

for the **2004-2005** school year



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Common Uses of SBAP Dollars



The Pennsylvania Department of Education's (PDE) School-Based ACCESS Program (SBAP) is a cooperative initiative between PDE, the state Department of Public Welfare (DPW), the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), and PDE's contractor, Leader Services.

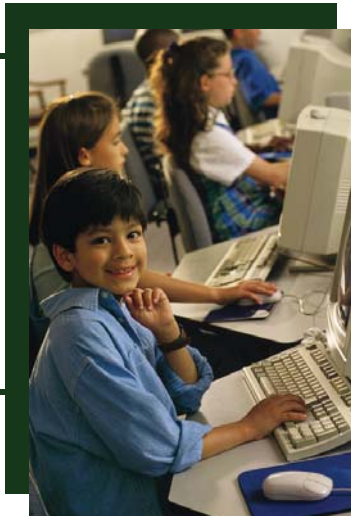
Reimbursements received by Local Education Agencies (LEAs) through the program have been used to enhance existing special education services. Following are just a few examples:



“The Altoona Area School District Department of Special Education utilized ACCESS funds during the 2004-05 school year to provide a multitude of services to our special education students. The majority of our Personal Care Aides are funded from ACCESS. The district employs over 200 Personal Care Aides and without ACCESS funding, we would not be able to provide this level of support.”

Tom Kattouf

Director of Special Education Services
Altoona Area School District



“MCIU 23 was able to utilize ACCESS dollars to fund our multi-year computer replacement plan, which allowed us the opportunity to upgrade and replace all of our classroom computers for the first time in many years.”

Sandy Edling

Assistant Director of Management Services
Montgomery County IU 23

“We used ACCESS funds to employ a new social worker, who works primarily in support of the inclusion model.”

Carl Manfredi

Director, Early Intervention Services
Hazleton Area School District

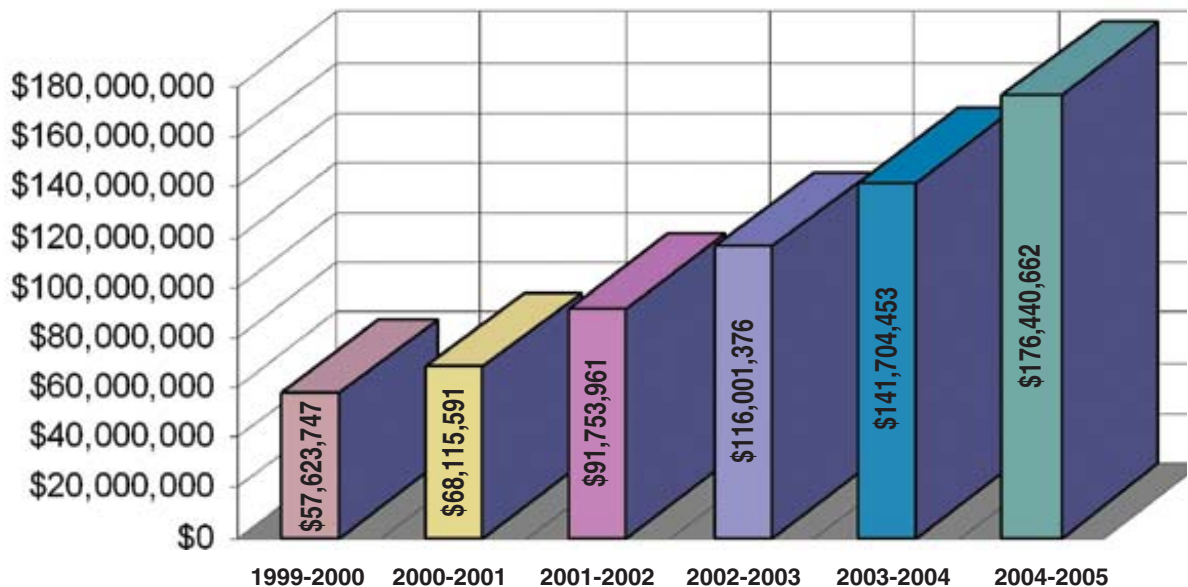




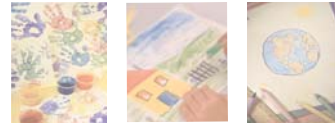
Growth History

The graph below represents the growth of SBAP during the last six years. Ongoing growth of the program is due in part to the continued support of PDE, DPW, and the efforts of participating LEAs.

Throughout SBAP's history, the number of services billed and dollars recovered have steadily increased. Most of the health-related services provided by LEAs are included in the program. PDE, DPW, and Leader Services work collaboratively to add new SBAP services, enhance existing services and modify the program, benefiting LEAs and taxpayers across the state. As PDE's program contractor, Leader educates SBAP providers concerning program operations, documentation requirements, and ongoing supportive administrative responsibilities.



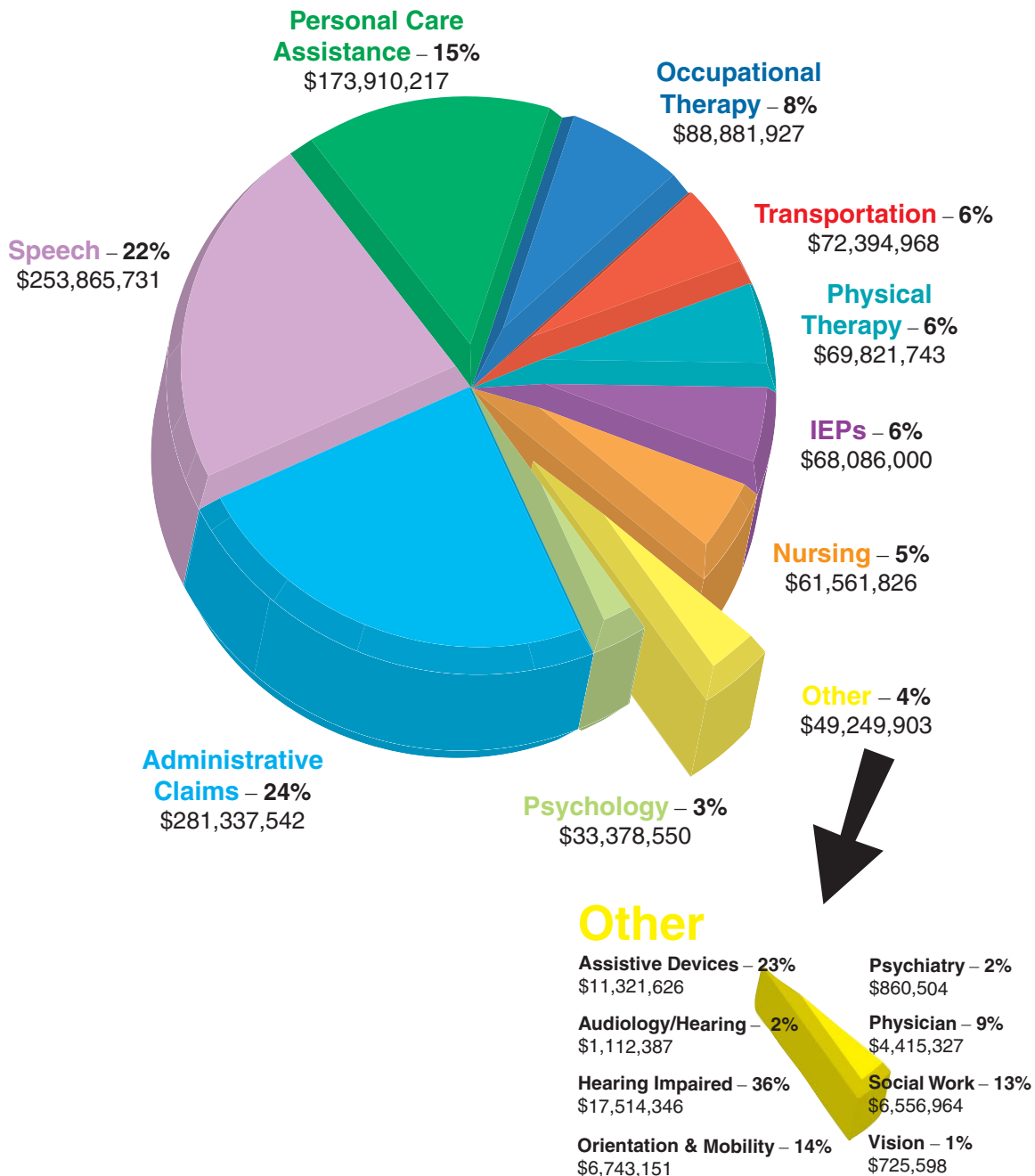
Note: From the program's inception in 1992 through June 1999, more than **\$215 million** was billed under SBAP (not shown on chart).



Services Billed

From the program's inception in June 1992 through June 2004, over **\$1.1 billion** was billed to Medicaid for PA SBAP services.

The graphics below detail the billing distribution by professional service from the program's beginning in 1992.





Top 10 LEAs (by type)



Leader is pleased to recognize the following 10 school districts, IUs, charter schools and Approved Private Schools that billed the largest dollar amounts under SBAP during the 2004-2005 school year.

School Districts

SD of Pittsburgh	\$4,510,649
Altoona Area SD	\$2,016,410
Hazleton Area SD	\$1,947,240
Millcreek Township SD	\$1,571,489
Reading SD	\$1,495,159
Williamsport Area SD	\$1,304,797
Spring-Ford Area SD	\$1,289,951
Penrridge SD	\$1,284,403
Chester-Upland SD	\$1,276,999
Parkland SD	\$1,062,201

Charter Schools

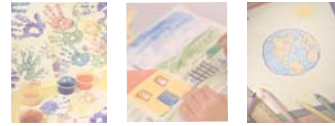
Philadelphia Academy CS	\$364,474
Chester Community CS	\$90,748
The People for People CS	\$65,987
Belmont CS	\$58,035
Spectrum CS	\$54,203
LV Academy Regional CS	\$51,585
Collegium CS	\$50,804
Franklin Towne CHS	\$49,673
Comm Academy of Phila CS	\$34,089
Wissahickon CS	\$21,177

Intermediate Units

Philadelphia Area SD	\$9,188,107
Montgomery County IU 23	\$6,725,152
Bucks County IU 22	\$6,408,350
Lincoln IU 12	\$6,217,615
Lancaster-Lebanon IU 13	\$4,956,843
Allegheny IU 3	\$4,145,505
Intermediate Unit 1	\$3,383,249
Chester County IU 24	\$3,159,321
Delaware County IU 25	\$2,865,186
Central Susquehanna IU 16	\$2,838,713

Approved Private Schools

Elwyn Inc. - Phila EI	\$4,507,714
Western PA Sch Blind Children	\$1,385,834
Davidson School	\$1,339,642
Children's Institute of Pittsburgh	\$999,008
Educ Center at DT Watson	\$889,461
Dr Gertrude A Barber Center	\$818,361
George Crothers Memorial Sch	\$732,006
The Melmark Home Inc.	\$534,127
HMS School for Children W/CP	\$472,416
Overbrook School FT Blind	\$459,531



Top 5 School Districts (by student population)

Leader is pleased to recognize the following school districts (per student population) that billed the largest dollar amounts under SBAP in the 2004-2005 school year.

Note: School districts listed in the *Top 10 LEAs by type* (page 5) are not duplicated on this page.

Less than 1,000 students

Cornell SD/IU 03	\$211,759
Sullivan County SD	\$197,983
Harmony Area SD	\$181,332
Leechburg Area SD	\$170,785
West Greene SD	\$158,521

4,000-4,999 students

Upper St. Clair SD/IU 03	\$829,680
Wissahickon SD	\$634,434
Fox Chapel Area SD	\$593,095
Owen J Roberts SD	\$561,055
McKeesport Area SD	\$438,498

1,000-1,999 students

Big Beaver Falls Area SD	\$538,800
Brookville Area SD	\$415,606
Penn Cambria SD	\$373,214
Penns Valley Area SD	\$369,989
Towanda Area SD	\$351,968

5,000-5,999 students

Penn Hills SD	\$905,532
Wilson SD	\$510,035
Shaler Area SD/IU03	\$484,681
Bethel Park SD/IU03	\$426,961
Warren County SD/IU05	\$397,624

2,000-2,999 students

Western Wayne SD	\$701,735
Northern Tioga SD	\$590,018
Sharon City SD	\$502,429
Center Area SD	\$408,602
Corry Area SD/IU 05	\$408,365

6,000-6,999 students

Boyertown Area SD	\$963,459
Bristol Township SD	\$653,585
Abington SD	\$599,672
Norristown Area SD	\$570,023
Soudertown Area SD	\$518,197

3,000-3,999 students

Wallenpaupack Area SD	\$687,089
Daniel Boone Area SD	\$560,894
Hampton Township SD/IU 03	\$557,934
Radnor Township SD	\$540,648
Berwick Area SD	\$495,450

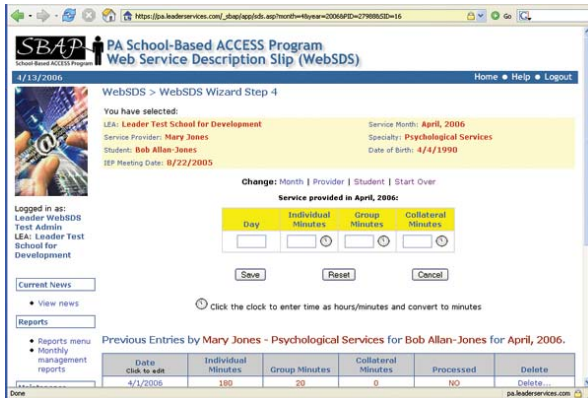
Over 8,000 students

Erie SD	\$1,021,436
Scranton SD	\$800,077
Butler Area SD	\$755,842
West Chester Area SD	\$626,209
Central Bucks SD	\$586,873





Behind the Scenes



SBAP participants have processed over three million transactions using WebSDS since the application's release in 2001.

Leader Web Apps Process Millions of Transactions

Each year a growing number of LEAs are turning to Leader's web applications to capture Medicaid billing. Since the 2001 inception of WebSDS (Service Description Slips), the application has captured over *three million* online transactions. This switch from paper to computer just makes sense — WebSDS allows LEAs to securely enter billing information rapidly and accurately; the billing data is then automatically validated and processed.

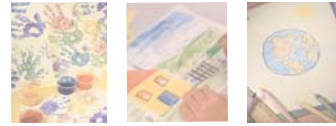
The success of Leader's more recent March 2004 release of WebPSL (Professional Service Logs) is already becoming apparent. WebPSL is a faster, more efficient method for providers to record their service information throughout the month, while decreasing the risk of data entry errors.

Over 1.6 million of the nearly 3.4 million claims that were processed in the 2004-05 school year were entered via the Web.

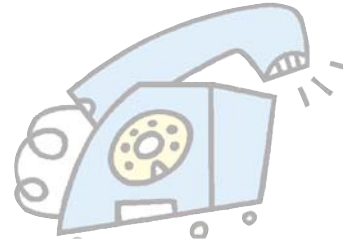
NAME (National Alliance for Medicaid in Education)

The National Alliance for Medicaid in Education (NAME) is a non-profit organization comprised of representatives from state Medicaid agencies, state education agencies, local education agencies and associate members. NAME provides the opportunity for its many members to share information on various issues and how they impact Medicaid programs in public schools.

Pennsylvania saw NAME not only as an opportunity to form alliances with other states but also as an important pool of state experts on Medicaid school-based services. Over the past several years, the Department of Education (DOE), the Department of Public Welfare (DPW), and Leader have attended the annual NAME conferences and have welcomed the opportunity to compare Pennsylvania's school-based program to other state programs.



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