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Medicaid SGD Funding Update: Current Developments and Issues

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PRESENTER BIO:

Lewis Golinker, Esq., is an advocate and attorney for people with complex communication needs. He has been serving this population for more than 35 years. He has worked to establish and protect Medicaid coverage for Speech Generating Devices (SGDs), as well as coverage through other health programs nationwide.

SEMINAR DESCRIPTION:

This webinar will discuss current developments regarding the Medicaid program that relates to SGD coverage. It will include a brief history of Medicaid SGD coverage and discuss several issues that affect present and possibly future SGD access by Medicaid recipients.

PARTICIPANTS WILL LEARN ABOUT:

- The basis for Medicaid funding for SGDs
- Current Medicaid landscape related to SGD coverage
- SLP evaluations
- Managed care organizations that administer Medicaid for some recipients
- Medical need standards
- "Tablet computer" coverage issues arising from natural disasters
- Current SGD coverage and access impediments

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TIME ORDERED AGENDA:

5 Minutes: Introduction of Speaker, USSAAC and topic

- 10 Minutes: Quick history of Medicaid as SGD funding source (medical necessity, managed care, ACA, 2017 defeated proposed changes to Medicaid
- 25 Minutes: Review of current SGD coverage and medical standards; evaluation guidelines, EPSDT requirements, managed care responsibilities, state SGD guidelines and standards of eligibility, New York's eligibility standards experiment, coverage of computers as SGDs
- 15 Minutes: Issues regarding disaster relief, school concurrence (FL), SGD coverage limitations

5 Minutes: Q & A

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