

Senate Bill 701

IEP teams are now required to provide parents with the **Parent's Guide to Habilitative Services** and verbally provide the following reason why, using this statement:

Local school systems are required to share with you that your child may be eligible to access additional Habilitative services through your private insurance carrier. Additional information is included in the Maryland Insurance Administration's Parents' Guide to Habilitative Services.

Case managers are to document the completion of this action by clicking the radial button on the MD Online IEP page when CLOSING the IEP. Case managers may only check "yes", if the parent has received both verbal and written information. If you must click "no", state why in the PWN. (Example: Parent was not able to attend the meeting, but the written document was sent home with the PWN.)

Copies of the guide have been printed and will be delivered to schools.

The guide can also be accessed using this link:

<http://insurance.maryland.gov/Consumer/Documents/publicnew/parents'-guide-to-habilitative-services.pdf> (2015)