Outpatient/Medical Speech Therapy Services Continued

- Services are often provided with an intensive focus depending on the individual's needs and will taper overtime as the child progresses and shows more independence in development.
- A "plan of care" is developed by the treating SLP including the individuals background information, current level of functioning, goals targeted, progress toward goals, care coordination, home program and prognosis. This can be provided to the child's family and/or other providers related to the case.
- SLPs in the outpatient setting often also provide substantial caregiver participation in therapy and training to support the family in transferring skills to the home and other settings.

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Speech Therapy Services: Clinic vs. School



Outpatient/Medical Speech Therapy Services

- This is most often funded by an individual's insurance plan.
 Coverage for outpatient speech therapy may require a prescription from the child's pediatrician.
- Outpatient Speech Therapy services do not have any "eligibility criteria", but the treating SLP must demonstrate "medical necessity" for the insurance company to approve funding for services.
- Services are often offered yearround with no interruption to care in the summer months.
- Depending on the individual needs of the child, services may be prescribed for individual sessions, group sessions, or both depending on the goals developed.
- Services focus on functional communication as it relates to activities of daily living and the ability to function or communicate more independently in their daily life.

School/Preschool Speech Therapy Services

- This is funded through the public school district and is based on eligibility guidelines for Individualized Education Plan (IEP) services or services offered through a school district's Multi-tiered System of Supports (MTSS). Therefore, a child must meet specific criteria to receive services from a licensed provider. Speech Therapy services in school settings must be educationally significant.
- Services are provided during the school year, with the potential for opportunity to participate in the extended school year (ESY) or summer school services, which typically run for a portion of the summer vacation and are based on the child's severity level and/or decline in skills without services.
- Services focus on participation in the classroom and academically based development skills.

School/Preschool Speech Therapy Services Continued

- School Speech Therapy services are provided during school hours in the setting that is considered "least restrictive" for the child.
 Services may be consultative, individual "pull out", group or "push in" depending on the setup of the classroom and the individual's needs.
- An individualized education plan (IEP) is developed with the school team and family to lay out the program of special education instruction, supports, services and goals needed in the school.
- SLPs in the school setting collaborate closely with other school personnel for carryover across the school day. SLPs in the school setting may also communicate with family members for support at home.

