

42 C.F.R. § 410.62

Outpatient speech-language pathology services: Conditions and exclusions.

- (a) *Basic rule.* Except as specified in paragraph (a)(3)(ii) of this section, Medicare Part B pays for outpatient speech-language pathology services only if they are furnished by an individual who meets the qualifications for a speech-language pathologist in § 484.115 of this chapter and only under the following conditions:
- (1) They are furnished to a beneficiary while he or she is under the care of a physician who is a doctor of medicine or osteopathy.
- (2) They are furnished under a written plan of treatment that meets the requirements of § 410.61.
- (3) They are furnished by one of the following:
- (i) A provider as defined in § 489.2 of this chapter, or by others under arrangements with, and under the supervision of, a provider.
- (ii) A speech-language pathologist in private practice as described in paragraph (c) of this section.
- (iii) Incident to the service of, a physician, physician assistant, clinical nurse specialist, or nurse practitioner when those professionals may perform speech-language pathology services under State law. When a speech-language pathology service is provided incident to the services of a physician, physician assistant, clinical nurse specialist, or nurse practitioner, by anyone other than a physician, physician assistant, clinical nurse specialist, or nurse practitioner, the service and the person who furnishes the service must meet the standards and conditions that apply to speech-language pathology and speech-language pathologists, except that a license to practice speech-language pathology services in the State is not required.

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