



Vermont Deaf & Hard of Hearing Program

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Service Description; Fee Schedule & Cancellation Policy 2016-17

Description of Services

Initial Referral Consultation: Observation and report to staff, either oral or written. This includes a summary of findings and recommendations.

Annual Monitoring - Student is monitored by consultant annually, either by phone or email with school staff.

Consultation Services – Consulting services are when the primary work is done through individuals who support the student in the school environment (staff, peers, family). Examples of services that fall into this category are:

- Monitoring classroom accommodations and making recommendations
- Attendance at student related meetings i.e., various team meetings, IEP, 504,etc
- Accompany student/family to audiology appointment
- Support for FM usage or other equipment
- Student observation and modeling of strategies with student for school staff
- Peer in-service

Direct Service – Direct services are when the Consultant provides regularly scheduled, direct instruction to the student, typically described in an IEP. These services are typically focused on improving listening or speech.

Fees

Initial Referral Consultation – no charge

Annual monitoring – no charge

Consultation \$125.00 for a one hour on-site consultation. This includes the on-site visit, mileage and travel time, preparation and follow-up communication.

Extended on-site time is billed at \$80/hr.

Direct Service \$125.00 for a one hour on-site service. This includes the on-site visit, mileage and travel time, preparation, data collection, and progress reporting.

Extended on-site time is billed at \$80/hr.

Other Services Available

Residential/Day Program Consultation – Consultant visits out of district residential or academic program to observe, communicate with student, school staff, other professionals; equipment reps and audiologists. This includes a written summary of visit and recommendations. **\$250 plus mileage per visit.**

Sign Language Instruction – Instruction in American Sign Language or other visual representation of language to promote language acquisition and communication development and/or to support listening skills and augment communication as speech skills are developing. Individual instructional sessions are available for students, as well as staff training and group instruction with peers. The consultant is not the service provider but can assist with service coordination.

This service is billed at an hourly rate of \$110.00 which includes mileage and travel time.

Extended on-site time is billed at \$70/hr.

Online service will be billed at \$60.00 per hour.

On-Site FM Verification – FM verification is a process to ensure that the student who uses an FM system is receiving appropriate levels of amplification. Using portable electro- acoustic instrumentation, we can confirm that recommended guidelines are met and can adjust the FM system accordingly. This procedure is recommended whenever there is a change in the system's components, i.e., the student receives a new hearing aid or FM system component. **\$250.00 plus mileage per visit.**

Summer services are available on a case by case basis and must be requested by **May 15** of each school year.

CANCELLATION POLICY

If a scheduled visit is cancelled by the school at least 24 hours prior to the visit there will be no charge for that visit.

If a scheduled visit is cancelled by the school the day of the scheduled visit there will be a charge for 30 minutes of time for the cancelled visit.

If the consultant arrives at a school for a scheduled visit and the student is not there, the school will be charged for the visit and the mileage.

If a school is closed due to weather or other circumstances, there will be no charge to the school for any scheduled visits.