

**Digital Speech Recommendations for SLPs – Updated November 2020  
November 16 & 17, 2020**

**Questions & Answers**

**Creating the Digital Order**

<b>Q</b>	Is the Pin # for signing digital orders the same Pin # as the one that is used to sign session notes?
<b>A</b>	Yes.
<b>Q</b>	Sometimes there is no option (link missing) to create the digital order. Why?
<b>A</b>	Once there is a prescription uploaded to the Portal (from the Caseload for Prescriptions Screen), the <b><i>“Create Speech Recommendation”</i></b> link is removed from the grid. If you need to create another digital order (because the child had a change in service), you will need to create it from the <b><u>Create New Order</u></b> option on the Caseload Maintenance Menu.
<b>Q</b>	Can you create a new digital order if there is a change in service or the SLP would like to use a different diagnosis/ICD Code?
<b>A</b>	Yes.

**Unmatched Children & Enrollments**

<b>Q</b>	If a digital order is uploaded to an “unmatched” enrollment, will the digital order automatically move to the official enrollment when the unmatched enrollment is matched to the official enrollment?
<b>A</b>	Yes.

**Medicaid Compliance**

<b>Q</b>	Can one SLP write the script for all children or only those on their caseload?
<b>A</b>	If the SLP is not actively treating or supervising the child on a regular basis, the SLP cannot write the script. (Medicaid Q&A # 94 explains this further.)

**Medicaid Compliance (Continued)**

<b>Q</b>	What if the child's sessions are split between two different SLPs or the therapist changes?
<b>A</b>	<p>It is always good practice for each therapist to ensure that there is an uploaded prescription for each child on their caseload. However, as long as there is a valid prescription uploaded for each child's enrollment that covers the entire enrollment period that is all that is required.</p> <p>If a therapist changes, the newly-assigned SLP can prepare and upload a new prescription or the prescription from the previous therapist <u>can be uploaded for the child's new enrollment</u> <i>(if the Rx is appropriate for the service moving forward and covers the rest of the enrollment period).</i></p>
<b>Q</b>	Can the prescription (digital order) be prepared in the spring following the annual review meeting for the upcoming school year (beginning July 1)?
<b>A</b>	<p>If the SLP <b>has seen</b> the child previously, the prescription <b>can be</b> written prior to the first session with the child (following the annual review meeting); however, if the SLP <b>has not</b> seen the child previously, the prescription <b>cannot be</b> written until "<b>after</b>" (directly following) the first session with the child. If, however, there is a diagnosis (ICD code provided) and/or a prescription provided in the evaluation packet by the SLP that evaluated the child, a prescription can be written prior to the first session with the child.</p>