

## **POS Policy**

Due to the changes in WIC Section 4648.5, which restored authority to fund camping and associated travel expenses, as well as nonmedical therapies, including but not limited to, specialist recreation, art, dance, and music.

### **Camp and Associated Travel Expenses:**

The regional center may purchase camp activities and associated travel expenses to support the Individual Program Plan (IPP). Camp may be provided in an outdoor or natural setting, with an emphasis on social skill building. If a portion of the camp is provided in an indoor setting, the setting must be integrated (example: community recreation center, YMCA, etc.). Camp is allowable as a form of out-of-home respite.

Camp will be classified as either residential (client stays the night) or day camp (client goes home every day). Regional Center will purchase camp as identified in the IPP.

Travel expenses associated with a family member getting the client to and from the campsite will be allowable through a Financial Management Service.

### **Nonmedical Therapies:**

The regional center may purchase specialized recreational therapies and training for clients and their families to support the Individual Program Plan. Programs must be designed to increase and improve a client's interpersonal and social skill level. A vendor must be credentialed or licensed as required to practice in the field of therapy offered, if applicable. Vendors should provide the service in an integrated community setting as much as possible. Examples of nonmedical therapies can include but are not limited to art, dance, music, equestrian, gymnastics, karate, soccer, and other programs and therapies that allow for interpersonal and social skill building.

### **Social Recreation**

Socialization Training Program is intended to provide socialization and recreational opportunities to consumers served by Inland Regional Center with appropriately structured socialization and recreational activities based on the consumers' needs, interests, and goals identified in the IPP.

Adaptive recreation/socialization programs will provide in-the-moment coaching and facilitation to promote inclusion and skill development. Activities should enhance and develop meaningful interpersonal relationships and integration opportunities by accessing public recreation and leisure facilities. Socialization Training will not supplant services available from the local school district.

### **Educational Services**

Educational Services for children three to 17 may be funded when the need has been identified in the IPP, and the following conditions have been met:

1. The service is not available through the educational system and/or school district.
2. The service is not academic in nature.
3. All generic resources have been exhausted.

4. The service is not a typical parent responsibility for minor children.
5. The consumer's need for extraordinary care, services, support, and supervision, and the need for timely access to this care, has been considered.

Educational Services include but are not limited to: specialized driver training lessons, educational consultant services, cardiopulmonary resuscitation and/or first-aid training, and training for foster and biological families of children who have moved into a foster family arrangement.