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Dear Parents:

We at Helping Hands Therapy are privileged to work with children to help each of them reach their fullest potential in the school setting by providing Physical, Occupational and/or Speech Therapy services. Helping Hands Therapy employs quality therapists who love working with children. We also provide services at our two outpatient clinics in Tuscaloosa and Greensboro.

Helping Hands Therapy brings our quality therapy services to your child's school, working with your child's teachers to help each student acquire functional abilities needed to access his/her educational materials and meet self-care and social needs during the school day. Our therapists will also set up school or home programs to be carried out by the teacher/aide in the classroom and to help you with your child at home.

So that we can provide all of the needed services for children at the lowest cost to your school system, Helping Hands Therapy is also credentialed by Alabama Medicaid to be able to bill Medicaid for the therapy services that Medicaid will cover. This relationship takes a large burden off your local school system.

In order for Helping Hands Therapy to help your school system by billing Medicaid for these services, however, we need your help. Please help us by completely filling out our 2020-21 parent consent form, including your child's name, date of birth, current Medicaid ID#, home address, parent/caregiver name and phone number. For Occupational and Physical Therapy services, a doctor's order is also required (orders are not required for speech therapy services). The doctor can sign our parent consent form or provide these orders on their own form (only one is required).

And for children covered by the Alabama Medicaid program, please make ensure that your child has his yearly EPSDT (Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis Treatment) Check-up visit. If he/she has not, please schedule this visit with the child's Primary Care Provider as soon as possible. If you are not sure if your child has had an EPSDT visit within the past year, please call your child's Primary Care Provider as soon as possible.

Then, when you come to your child's referral/eligibility meeting, please make sure to have these with you:

- 1. The completed parent consent form**
- 2. Your child's Medicaid card (if applicable)**
- 3. Your child's last EPSDT visit date (if covered by Alabama Medicaid), within the last year**
- 4. Doctor's orders (if your child is to receive Occupational and/or Physical Therapy services)**

Thank you for your prompt attention and we look forward to working with your child!
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