



## Read Me First – Wisconsin Medicaid

### Physician Requirement

- Medicaid requires that the client have a face-to-face examination with their physician no more than 6 months prior to the written order for the speech generating device (SGD).
- The physician must document that the client was evaluated and/or treated for a condition that supports the SGD. This documentation (chart notes or office visit notes) must be provided along with the written order for the SGD. The documentation of the visit must be clearly titled, separate and distinct section of, or a clearly titled addendum to the prescription. The chart notes or office visit notes must contain:
  - Date of the face-to-face examination
  - Name and credentials of the physician or NPP who conducted the face-to-face examination for the SGD
  - The clinical findings that support the client's need for the SGD
  - Signature of prescribing physician or NPP that conducted the face-to-face examination