DOCUMENTATION

Documentation is essential in assessing the effectiveness of service coordination activities. The documentation should be entered promptly, be factual and accurate, and inclusive of all components of the activity. All documentation in the SHCN Information System are legal documents of record. All contacts with or about the participant should be documented in the SHCN Information System as soon as possible, but no longer than ten (10) business days after the date of the contact.

- Documentation should be written in first person, using complete sentences or bullet style formatting.
- The use of the “Home Visit Template” is encouraged.
- Documentation must be comprehensive enough to justify staff actions and shall include an action plan allowing others to intervene in the Service Coordinator’s absence.
- Reports, Individual Educational Plans, etc., that are reviewed by staff and require no action should be initialed, dated, and filed. Receipt and review of documentation, along with a brief summary, must be noted in the SHCN Information System.
- Do not copy and paste email correspondence (as a whole, screen shot, or quoted statement) into the SHCN Information System. Instead, a summarization must be used to document the content of the message(s).

Entries in the SHCN Information System “Forms/Letters” screen do not require additional documentation in the Progress Notes.