

### Republika e Kosovës Republika Kosova - Republic of Kosovo

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REGULATION (GRK) - NO. 16/2024 ON DEFINING THE RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE COVERAGE OF EXPENSES FOR EDUCATIONAL, HEALTH, OR REHABILITATION SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES IN ANOTHER MUNICIPALITY<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Regulation (GRK) – No.16/2024 on Defining the Rules and Procedures for the Coverage of Expenses for Educational, Health, Or Rehabilitation Services for Children with Disabilities in Another Municipality, has been approved in the 203th Meeting of the Government of the Republic of Kosovo, with the Decision no.07/203, dated 08.05.2024.

#### Government of the Republic of Kosovo,

In accordance with Article 93 (4) of the Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo, based on Article 46, paragraph 4 of Law no. 06/L-084 on Child Protection, in accordance with Article 8, paragraph 4 (subparagraph 4.5) of Law no. 08/117 on the Government of the Republic of Kosovo, as well as Article 19 paragraph 6 (subparagraph 6.2) of the Regulation No. 09/2011 of Rules and Procedure of the Government (Official Gazette No. 15, dated September 12, 2011),

Approves the following:

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CHAPTER I GENERAL PROVISIONS

### Article 1 Purpose

The purpose of this Regulation is to define the rules and procedures for covering expenses for educational, health or rehabilitation services for children with disabilities in accordance with their specific needs, in a municipality other than the one where the child lives.

#### Article 2 Scope

The provisions of this Regulation shall apply to all public institutions at the local level that provide educational, health or rehabilitation services for children with disabilities.

# Article 3 **Definitions**

Terms used in this Administrative Instruction shall have the same meaning as given in the relevant Law on Child Protection.

# Article 4 Guiding principles

- 1. All actions, measures and decisions taken shall be guided by the principles of:
  - 1.1. child friendly approach;
  - 1.2. interdisciplinary action;
  - 1.3. coordination between institutions and institutional actors involved in the provision of foreseen services.

#### CHAPTER II IDENTIFICATION OF NEEDS AND PLANNING OF SERVICES

# Article 5 Identification of Needs and Planning of Services in the Municipality

- 1. The municipality shall identify the needs for educational, health or rehabilitation services for children with disabilities.
- 2. The municipality shall plan, on an annual basis, the budget for the provision of services from paragraph 1 of this Article.

# Article 6 Provision of services

- 1. Each municipality shall provide educational, health, or rehabilitation services for children with disabilities residing in the territory of that municipality in accordance with the specific needs of the child.
- 2. The municipality which does not have the services from paragraph 1 of this article, shall cooperate with the other municipality to provide relevant services for children with disabilities.

# Article 7 Providing and offering services in another municipality

- 1. In order to provide and offer educational, health or rehabilitation services for children with disabilities, two or more municipalities shall cooperate in providing services in accordance with the legislation in force, according to the needs of the municipality.
- 2. The municipality responsible for providing services for children with disabilities shall ensure that the relevant services are provided as close as possible to the child's place of residence.

#### CHAPTER III COVERING EXPENSES FOR THE PROVISION OF SERVICES IN ANOTHER MUNICIPALITY

# Article 8 Covering expenses for the provision of services in another municipality

- 1. The expenses for the provision of services for the disabled child in a municipality other than the one where the child lives shall be covered by the budget of the municipality that requires the relevant service.
- 2. The municipality that has established the relevant service shall ensure the functioning of the institution in which the services are provided.
- 3. The municipality from paragraph 2 of this article shall provide services for children with disabilities adapted to the needs of the child.

#### Article 9 Procedure

- 1. A municipality that does not have the relevant service shall, through a written request, address the municipality that provides that service asking it to provide the service to the child with disabilities.
- 2. Municipalities may enter into agreements for the coverage of expenses for the provision of educational, health or rehabilitation services.
- 3. The Directorate for Education, Health and Social Welfare in the municipality requesting the provision of the service shall prepare the necessary documentation for the child with disabilities

#### Article 10 Service Card

The service-providing municipality shall issue service cards to children with disabilities who receive the relevant services.

#### CHAPTER IV COOPERATION

# Article 11 Maintaining and reporting data

1. The municipalities that are parties to the agreement shall exchange information and data with each other on the services provided to the child with disabilities.

- 2. The municipality providing the services shall keep records of the provision of services for children with disabilities and inform the other municipality where the child is located about the implementation of the service plan.
- 3. The evidence from paragraph 2 of this article shall contain:
  - 3.1. personal data of the child with disabilities;
  - 3.2. information about the case;
  - 3.3. services provided;
  - 3.4. barriers to access to services, based on specific cases.
  - 3.5. recommendations for other

### Article 12 Entry into force

This Regulation shall enter into force seven (7) days after its publication in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Kosovo.

Albin K	urti
Prime Minister of the Republic of Kos	ovo

10 May 2024