Documenting services provided in a Non-English language

If you are bilingual and provide treatment in the consumer's and/or parents language, please remember to indicate this on your treatment note and check the box on your progress note. This applies **to any situation when translation is required** during a session. *Yes, this needs to be indicated in every single note.*

The steps to this documentation include

➢ Indicating the language used in the dropdown box circled below.

➢ Selecting "M60 Ethnic Specific Service Strategy" under **CPT modifier I (Service Strategies)**

     o Note: When a language is selected in the "language used box" the M60 code is **automatically populated**.

➢ Additionally, the progress note should clearly state that the session was conducted in a language other than English and also the methods used to conduct that session. For example did the therapist provide the interpretation services or was an interpreter used.

Addressing language issues when presenting the Client Service Plan to the Client, or the client and parent if the client is younger than 18.

It is important to document whether or not translation services were used when obtaining signatures on the the service plan.

On the service plan there are boxes that need to be checked just above the signature line (See below).

➢ Indicate if the client prefers to use a language other than English

➢ If the Service Plan was translated to the consumer, or the legal guardian indicate the language used and the name of the translator.

➢ Document the interpretation services in the progress note associated with the delivery of the service plan.

Indicate whether or not the consumer prefers a language other than English.

If the Service Plan was translated, indicated what language was used and who did the interpretation

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