



# HOME, HOSPITAL, INSTITUTIONAL INSTRUCTION (HHII)

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- How does NYSED define HHII?
  - Sometimes referred to as homebound instruction
  - An educational service provided by a district to resident students (public and nonpublic) students who are anticipated to be unable to attend school in person for at least ten days in a three-month period due to physical, mental, or emotional illness or injury.
- Who qualifies for HHII?
  - ANY student who resides in the district and has the proper medical documentation
  - **Commissioner's Decision No. 16,627, there is "no legal authority... requiring a public school district to replicate a nonpublic school curriculum in providing home instruction..."**

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- **The "Application" process**
- **Parent/Guardian must submit a request to the district**
  - If the student has an IEP, the CSE should convene to determine if HHII is appropriate
- **Request must include written verification of student's inability to attend from their medical provider**
- **A signed consent authorizing the district medical director to contact the student's treating healthcare provider**
  - ***Failure to provide this consent will result in the automatic denial of the request***

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- The "Application" process (Cont.)
  - The district's medical director **may** contact the student's treating healthcare provider (including mental health providers) to obtain additional information regarding the student's health or mental health
  - The district shall notify the parent/guardian regarding approval or reason(s) for denial **within five school days** after receipt of verification from the treating health care provider
  - Services to start within five school days after the receipt of verification from the treating health care provider

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## What does HHII look like Prior to July 1, 2023?

- Instruction plan should be tailored to continue the student's academic progress
  - Elementary Students (K-6) receive a minimum of 5 hours of instruction per week and at least 1 hour/DAY to the extent possible
  - Secondary Students (7-12) receive a minimum of 10 hours of instruction/WK and at least 2 hours/DAY to the extent possible

# Home, Hospital, Or Institutional Instruction (HHI)

- What does HHI look like On or **After July 1, 2023?**
- Establish a written instruction plan to continue the student's academic progress and include:
  - The number of hours per week and hours per day that the student will receive instructional services
    - "the student shall receive instruction for the number of days and length of time **necessary** to continue the student's academic progress"
  - Minimum hours of instruction:
    - 10 hours of instruction per week at the elementary level
    - 15 hours of instruction per week at the secondary level
- May be provided by the district, tutor, or school connected with the hospital or institution

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## The Instruction Plan

- The school district shall establish a written instruction delivery plan to continue the student's academic progress, which shall include, but not be limited to:
  - the number of hours per week and hours per day that the student will receive instructional services;
  - the method by which instructional services will be delivered;
  - the location where instructional services will be provided, such as the home, hospital, or institution; and
  - an explanation of how the instructional services will enable the student to maintain academic progress