**Orthopedic Impairment**

Orthopedic impairment means a severe orthopedic impairment that adversely affects a child’s educational performance. The term includes impairments caused by a congenital anomaly, impairments caused by disease (e.g., poliomyelitis, bone tuberculosis), and impairments from other causes (e.g., cerebral palsy, amputations, and fractures or burns that cause contractures). (34 CFR Sec. 300.8(c)(8))

**Eligibility Determination**

The New Mexico TEAM (DEC. 2017) guidelines were followed for this current assessment. Based on current assessments and data from multiple sources:

1. A lack of appropriate instruction in reading or math  a determinant factor.
2. Limited English proficiency a determinant factor;
3. eligibility category better describes the child’s disability; and
4. The assessment and evaluation demonstrate the child  the requirements of the Orthopedic Impairment definition.