## 3. Additional authority

If the behavior that violated the student code of conduct was not a manifestation of the child's disability (see *Manifestation determination*, below) and the disciplinary change of placement would exceed **10 consecutive school days**, school personnel may apply the disciplinary procedures to that child with a disability in the same manner and for the same duration as it would to children without disabilities, except that the school must provide services to that child as described below under *Services*. The child's IEP Team determines the interim alternative educational setting for such services. Under PA special education regulations (22 Pa. Code Sec. 14.143), a disciplinary exclusion of a student with a disability for more than 15 cumulative school days in a school year will be considered a pattern so as to be deemed a change in educational placement (explained under Change of Placement Because of Disciplinary Removals). The LEA is required to issue a NOREP/Prior Written Notice to parents prior to a removal that constitutes a change in placement (removal for more than 10 consecutive days or 15 cumulative days).