

**NEXT MEETING: Thursday August 28 at 1:30pm**

***School districts from across the state were part of the meeting. Below are minutes. Pass these on and let others know they can join in the calls. 1-800-444-2801. The code is 4010981.***

**I. Update on RTCs**

- On 8/19 Michelle Kristoff sent a draft of possible plan A for past claims that are deferred
  - i. Plan A (as was discussed in previous call):
    1. Plan A is based on original invoice
    2. All TSP positions must be on TSP approved list
      - a. Only exception is general ed teachers for small/rural
    3. Invoice bottom line code percentages must meet RTC benchmarks posted in PPL 13-012
      - a. Only exceptions will be for LEA/COEs with Special Ed only claiming units
      - b. LEAs with Family Resource Center models
    4. All the exceptions will still require justifications

Comments from call:

- This plan is not much different than the original RTC with one big exception- it doesn't limit the admin/clerical to 20% of those surveyed. Additionally, the group was strong to reiterate that community colleges should not be left out of the process – Tanya and Cathy will make sure they are not left out of the revised plan.
- Question: If an LEA is 1% over code 8, how will the amount that's taken out be determined?
  - i. Answer: Using what would be said in the past- you would have to reduce your percentage to the benchmark cap. There would be no payment if this wasn't done.. This is a much better way – because you can still leave in your TSP's costs, so the reduction is smaller to your invoice.
- LEAs do not want to resubmit any more invoices but they will in this process
- Question: Have LEAs received any responses on other than on the first batch of claims where money is owed back to the state?
  - i. Answer: No, not yet
- Question: There are appx 900 LEAs that participate and are covered by the RTC – will they all be required to resubmit?
- It is unsure, the state has not addressed what the steps will be- but they are aware that LEA do not want to resubmit the RTC for the third time.
- Question: if the justification piece is removed and the deadline is still 9/30 – what will they do? (See comments sent out yesterday with what CMS approved for the RMTS)

**II. DHCS Audit (attached)**

- Ed Honowitz of Senator Liu's office described the audit and answered a few questions
  - i. What are the auditors looking at/for?

1. Answer: This will not be an audit of districts, only DHCS although Senator Lui is hoping districts might shed some light on the current relationship between schools and DHCS.
- ii. How does this compare to other practices in other states?- Audit will look at some best practices for how health services can be integrated into what education does

### III. RMTS Report

- Looking into hosting an RMTS workshop in Downey
  - i. Perhaps in September
- Region 10 (San Bernardino) had an RMTS training on 8/12
  - i. PCG conducted the training.
  - ii. LEAs in this region are dealing only with a LEC. The LGA dropped out so many from the training were those who had previously contracted with the LGA– that LEC has contracted with PCG
  - iii. The training went over the TSP – very limited. However, LEAs have been told they must get their participant pool in by next week. Question was raised about how this can be done when there isn't a contract in place.
  - iv. "Whatever coding is done is what LEAs get – but if an audit comes and there is discrepancy, the LEA will be responsible for any fines"
  - v. There are now 4 questions as opposed to the 3 that were originally discussed. The fourth question is how the contractor is trying to determine the schedules for participants
    1. Were you working at the time of the moment?
    2. What were you doing?
    3. Where were you?
    4. Why were you performing this activity?The third question about "where" is not a standard RMTS question and seems irrelevant to the time sample.
  - vi. Rumors are that each training aside from the original will be charged to districts but districts have not seen contracts they must sign with the vendor
  - vii. The only option for the RMTS program for LEAs with LEC contracts is PCG. LEAs with an LGA contract will be required to pay for two vendors: PCG for the RMTS software and Fairbanks for the coding Fairbanks.

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