

**NEXT MEETING: Tuesday October 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm**

***School districts from across the state were part of the meeting. Below are minutes. Pass these minutes on and let other LEAs know they can join in the calls. New Conference call number is: 1-800-914-8405; code is: 1785191#.***

***(Since these minutes, a new proposal has been sent by CMS to the state on deferrals. We will discuss this and the response by the state on the call. The CMS letter is attached)***

**Update on RTC:**

- Hellan spoke with John Mendoza on setting the claims
  - o We believe that DHCS is genuinely trying to work with the districts to find a solution
- CMS wants to back cast however this is problematic since the RMTS data used for back casting won't compare with worker log. Two issues- RMTS will use data from all districts within a LEC or LGA so it won't match back to participants. Data in 12-13 year is already lowered by about 20% since districts were forced to remove certain classifications, meet caps etc that is no longer relevant.
- Strategy was discussed:
  - o Contact congressional Delegation; each district should speak to their congress member and urge them to call CMS. (A proposed letter is attached. Districts can add an addendum describing their own circumstances)
  - o Review data from districts and see if there are patterns that explain claimed amounts. Hellan is working with CTA who will run data elements such as percent of FRPL, Medi-Cal students, ESL learners in districts, percent of special ed students, i.e. measures of poverty with budget size and staff and student size

**PPL 14014 Issue- SMAA Participant Cost Allocation**

- o Letter is attached about this issue. It was decided to put together a sub group to respond
  - Work group members volunteered for subgroup to read ,analyze and respond to the letter
  - Doodle sent to subgroup members for week of 10/13/2014. **Please let us know if you are interested in attending**

**RMTS:**

- There is a stakeholder group of LGAs and LECs and our three LEA representatives- Cathy Bennett- Sac City, Sherry Purcell, LAUSD and Tanya Perry, Bear Valley that will be meeting weekly on RMTS implementation. They will keep this group informed of implementation issues

**Regional Workshops will be Held by SMAA LEA Work group**

- **Inland Empire Workshop: 10/16/2014**

## SMAA/LEA Workgroup Minutes: October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014

- Hosted by Silma Navarro (Fontana) & Dawn Bray (Beaumont)
- Will be on 10/16/2014 at Fontana USD from 9am-12pm
- Earlier workshop was held in July. This is a follow-up
- **LA –Northern Orange County Workshop: 10/16/2014**
  - Hosted by Teachers for Healthy Kids / SMAA LEA Workgroup
  - Will be on 10/16/2014 at Barbara J. Riley Community Center: Downey Room - 7810 Quill Drive, Downey, CA 90242
- **Up Coming Workshops:**
  - San Diego- Southern OC: early November in San Diego
  - Sacramento and Central Valley- in Sacramento
  - Bay Area and Northern California- in Oakland
- **Report on RMTS trainings**
  - Carolyn (San Diego): PCG is hosting a training on 10/6 and there was a training in Orange County the week prior
  - Kim (Galt): Sutter County is doing an RMTS training on 10/9 to preview new software
  - Region 10 is holding a training on 11/4 and being asked for participant lists and shift templates
  - Riverside County: required to submit participant lists by the end of October
- **Discussion on participant lists:** Question was raised on how lists can be submitted if districts still don't understand what is going on and who should be participating.
- The list for participants is far too narrow and does should include categories rather than specific job titles; many job titles are not on the list
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- Comment: perhaps chief business officers should attend RMTS trainings/workshops

### **Other Issues**

- A question was raised on who has received funding during the deferral and how much? This is issue was raised to DHCS. They have stated that the LECs/ LGAs have received \$14million. Nothing is in writing from them