

SMAA LEA Workgroup call: Tuesday, December 13th at 9:30am

- Report from Districts- Invoicing- Issues/ Challenges/ Success (Attached)

A memo was sent from DHCS regarding invoices and clarification of language. Districts interested in completing their own invoices can contact their LEC/LGA's to work them through the form. Note that supporting documentation will be needed; summary invoice and detailed invoice. The summary invoice is tab 8 or 9 and auto completes from information filled out on the other tabs. The detailed invoice are the pages from the invoice like Tabs 1- 7, Tabs 10 and 11 will only be needed Quarter 1 and those are the averaging worksheets. Additionally, LEAs will need to submit their TSP list and Quarterly Participant Snapshot report

Reports can be run from the PCG website. Also, the general ledger report is stated as only needed for backup to tab 5 however, it is needed for all tabs requiring fiscal data input. Vendor Fee worksheet is for vendor expenses on 14/15 Q3 and is claimed on the direct charge pool. Districts claiming a LEC/LGE fee must contact them directly to find out if that cost was incurred.

PPL 15-012 can only be submitted with invoices that include TSPs that became 100% federally funded during the quarter.

DHCS is being asked to post Invoice instructions on their website for easy clarification.

If LEA's have questions about their invoices or information you would like to share please contact ngarcia@teachersforhealthykids.org

- Report on LEA BOP (free care) expansion meeting in DC

A meeting took place in DC with CMS to discuss "Free Care", that is the expansion of the LEA BOP to cover all kids on Medi-Cal whether or not they have an IEP. California's updated SPA will be completed soon. There is concern and questions as to what the health plans might reimburse for

paying for outside of the carved out services for those with IEPs. Some health plans are open to further discussion and having a relationship with school districts providing these services. CAHP (California Association of Health Plans) is beginning to discuss LEABOP expansion with DHCS. Free Care will be under the Safety Net Financing Division in DHCS while health plans are under the Managed Care Division which complicates coordination.

Any districts, particularly in the Inland Empire, interested in participating in a pilot project that will work specifically with health plans, please contact THK. There may even be possible funding available to participate.

Contact ngarcia@teachersforhealthykids.org

- Deferral- latest update

CTA consultant, David Neben, reviewed Sac. City USD's data from the Sacramento LGA and ran it through a backcasting simulator formula. The total MAA time of the coded percentages ranged from 4-7% (low to high). The last time this data was reviewed was a year ago. The totals are between 2 – 2 ½ times lower than in the deferred period. Mainly in the 9/10, 10/11 years than in the 12/13, 13/14. The 12/13, 13/14 years' reduction on invoices is about 40-50%. The 9/10, 10/11 could be higher upwards of 50-60%. These totals clearly show the adverse effect of backcasting. However, these are speculative estimates/calculations. An entire set of data is needed. This will better support that case of the negative effects of backcasting

Districts are asked to send Invoices (coding percentages) found on page 1/ tab 1 from the deferral years. The more districts able to send data will better highlight backcasting outcomes and regional issues. The data that has been collected now shows that robust MAA programs may owe the most from backcasting. The results will also be shared with LECs/LGAs to better explain the issue with backcasting.

The data gathered will be shared with DHCS at the Director's level. Information has already been shared with the Safety net Financing director and John Mendoza.

Please send invoices from the deferral period (Page 1/Tab 1) to ngarcia@teachersforhealthykids.org

Please also share if your district's Chief Budget Officer is aware that backcasting is happening. If you would like to share added information or receive an estimate of your district's possible loss, please contact the email listed above.

- Discussion with CMS on IEP issue (Draft doc. Attached)
Attached is policy regarding IEP for better clarification. This is a DRAFT copy and will be reviewed in January 2017.
- LEC/LGA Contract Amounts for MAA Invoicing
DHCS was contacted in regards to the recent PPL on the use of the data sharing and the use of the data to do invoicing by LECs/LGAs. It was brought to their attention that districts in LA county are being required to use their LEC for invoicing to be a part of the program.
(On the DHCS call on December 14, we were told that LECs/LGAs are not vendors they are contractors providing a service so they do not have to fill out the work form attached)
This is an issue of conflict of interest. These are some of the questions raised:
 - What is the LECs role as an oversight agency?
 - Where is the line of Conflict of interest begin?
 - Can LECs have requirements outside their own state contract/requirements for LEAs to participate?A letter will be written to address these issues with DHCS.
- **Next Meeting**
Thursday, January 5th at 9:30am
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