

**Medi-Cal LEA Billing Option Program  
RMTS Implementation Advisory Group (IAG)**

Meeting #11 Summary  
October 16, 2015

On Friday, October 16, the eleventh RMTS Implementation Advisory Group (IAG) meeting took place at DHCS in Sacramento. The following was accomplished during this meeting:

- The Department confirmed SPA 15-021 was submitted to CMS on September 30, 2015.
- Discussed stakeholder feedback received via the [Stakeholder Feedback Tool](#) regarding the LEA Medi-Cal Billing Option Program RMTS.
  - One stakeholder expressed concerns regarding potential administrative burden, and inquired about how RMTS results will be applied to LEA costs and how the RMTS will impact the LEA Billing Option Program.
    - Although the IAG recognizes that LEAs must understand how RMTS will impact the LEA Billing Option Program, including how results are applied to LEA costs, the RMTS methodology is still in draft form and detailed guidance would be premature at this point. The IAG will recommend additional detail for DHCS to communicate to LEAs once the SPA is further into the review process at CMS.
    - DHCS, with the assistance of the IAG, has provided an overview of RMTS and the RMTS areas and topics that impact LEAs participating in the LEA Medi-Cal Billing Option Program: [http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Documents/ACLSS/LEA/AdHoc%20and%20RMTS%20Meeting%20Summaries/RMTS\\_Profile\\_PageA.pdf](http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Documents/ACLSS/LEA/AdHoc%20and%20RMTS%20Meeting%20Summaries/RMTS_Profile_PageA.pdf).
    - Further information will be provided as the new RMTS is developed and as stakeholder feedback is collected.
- Reviewed the updated list of LEAs that bill in the LEA Medi-Cal Billing Option Program, but do not participate in SMAA. As part of the implementation plan, the IAG suggested conducting outreach to these LEAs regarding potential Program changes, since they are not currently participating in RMTS via SMAA. The initial list was shared in the August IAG meeting and has been refined to approximately 43 LEAs that bill for direct services without billing for administrative services.
- The IAG reviewed suggestions for the general timeframe to discuss implementation-related topics, including which topics would be well suited to discuss in the beginning/middle/end of the implementation timeline. Continued IAG discussion of implementation-related topics is expected to continue into 2016, as each major topical area is reviewed in more detail.
- The IAG shared additional implementation-related topical areas needing discussion, including: coder training, appeals process, and training for other relevant Program stakeholders.
- The IAG identified and began discussion of several detailed issue points for the topical area of Coding. The IAG will discuss Coding in more detail, including potential clarification of Activity Code definitions in the SMAA manual, at the November IAG meeting.

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- The IAG continues to review and discuss stakeholder feedback submitted via the [Stakeholder Feedback Tool](#), and encourages stakeholders to submit feedback. Stakeholder information submitted through the feedback tool is treated as confidential.

The next RMTS IAG Meeting will take place in Sacramento on Tuesday, November 3, 2015.