

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

Meeting #13 Summary  
December 9, 2015

On Wednesday, December 9, the thirteenth RMTS Implementation Advisory Group (IAG) meeting took place at DHCS in Sacramento. The following was accomplished during this meeting:

- The Department confirmed they have not yet received a response from CMS on SPA 15-021, submitted on September 30, 2015. CMS has up to 90 days after DHCS' SPA submission to review the SPA draft before approving or submitting requests for additional information (RAIs) to DHCS.
- Navigant Consulting confirmed that no stakeholder feedback was received via the [Stakeholder Feedback Tool](#) regarding the LEA Medi-Cal Billing Option Program RMTS.
- Discussed pros and cons of a regional RMTS versus a statewide RMTS, which is common among most other state models.
- DHCS confirmed that the SMAA Manual is currently in the final stages of being edited and submitted to CMS for approval. Further, DHCS indicated that they do not plan to include edits in this version of the SMAA Manual that would prepare LEAs and coders for potential upcoming changes resulting from the inclusion of the LEA Medi-Cal Billing Option Program in the SMAA RMTS. Any edits relating to the LEA RMTS will be incorporated into a future version of the SMAA Manual, once RMTS design and technical decisions have been finalized.
- Reviewed and discussed a proposed definition of Activity Code 2 that will incorporate LEA Billing Option Program services once SPA 15-021 is approved by CMS.
- Reviewed and discussed the idea of a Targeted Case Management Certification process, whereby LEAs that wish to provide TCM under the LEA Medi-Cal Billing Option Program receive additional information and/or training on TCM, and certify that they are abiding by TCM documentation requirements. The IAG believes that a certification process will provide additional education, training and documentation oversight by DHCS to the small group of LEA TCM providers.
- The IAG requested analysis of 'low participation' LEAs in order to determine final payment amount to these providers. The IAG continues to discuss possible approaches for determining outreach efforts in the coming months. The IAG plans to discuss provider outreach at a separate IAG meeting, likely in Spring 2016.
- Draft critical paths were discussed to begin planning the coordination and prioritization of implementation issues and requirements.
- 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, January 12, 2016.