

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

Meeting #30 Summary
October 3, 2017

On Tuesday, October 3rd, the thirtieth RMTS Implementation Advisory Group (IAG) meeting took place in Sacramento. The following was accomplished during this meeting:

- One stakeholder noted concern about how long the approval process of State Plan Amendment (SPA) 15-021 has taken and confusion about the status of some of the proposed policies in the SPA. The California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) reviewed each of the stakeholder's concerns and provided a brief update on each topic. DHCS stated that they are limited in what they are able to share and that working with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) is a long process and they are proactively working on implementation tasks prior to SPA approval so they can be well prepared for RMTS implementation.
- An update was provided to IAG members regarding an informational webinar that will be offered on October 24th to approximately fifty LEAs that currently bill in the LEA Medi-Cal Billing Option Program (LEA BOP), but do not participate in SMAA. This webinar is meant to be an introduction to the RMTS process and will provide basic information on upcoming program changes that will require participation in RMTS in order to receive LEA BOP reimbursement. DHCS asked the IAG for feedback on ways to improve attendance at the webinar, as they have been slow to receive responses from invited LEAs. The Local Educational Consortia (LECs) in attendance offered to reach out to their LEC counterparts in other regions to help inform LEAs of the training in their service region.
- Navigant presented the technical RMTS "Wish List" items that were discussed during previous IAG meetings. The IAG discussed these items with DHCS and asked for them to be considered in the upcoming RMTS software system Request for Proposal (RFP). The LECs in attendance stated that they would review these items and discuss with the RFP subcommittee.
- Navigant gave a brief update on a recent audit by the Office of Inspector General (OIG) on the Texas School-Based Medicaid Program. Navigant summarized the audit scope and findings. The IAG discussed in greater detail the nonmonetary finding regarding Texas not administering a fourth quarter (July – September) time survey. CMS approved the use of three quarterly time surveys in Texas' RMTS Implementation Guide, but the OIG indicated that this created statistical validity issues with their sample and noted that a summer quarter RMTS must be conducted since some LEAs are in session and delivering services over the summer months. The audit can be found here:
<https://oig.hhs.gov/oas/reports/region6/61400002.pdf>

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- The IAG reviewed a draft training presentation, which was prepared to inform LEA RMTS Coordinators about their roles and responsibilities under RMTS. This training will be presented to LEA personnel that will assume the coordinator position in the SMAA Program, the LEA Billing Option Program, or both programs. The IAG suggested edits to the presentation and Navigant will finalize the training slides after the meeting. This training will not be presented to the LEA community until after CMS approves SPA 15-021.
- The IAG reviewed draft Time Survey Participant (TSP) training slides as well. The IAG provided general edits on the structure of the training, which will be reviewed during the next IAG meeting, in December.
- The IAG reviewed a history of Targeted Case Management (TCM) discussions, a TCM certification process, and a decision tree to help resolve coding issues between the LEA BOP and SMAA Programs. Navigant will make updates to the TCM certification statement and decision tree, based upon the discussion at the IAG meeting.
- The IAG discussed future meetings and the upcoming December meeting is scheduled to be the last in-person meeting.

The next RMTS IAG Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 12, 2017.