



DATE: Wednesday May 1, 2019
TIME: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Conference Call #: 866-769-5915
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SUMMARY NOTES: MAY 1, 2019 SMAA WORKGROUP MEETING

Agenda Items

1. Draft PPL 19-XXX, RMTS Sample Period
 - a. Reducing the Q4 sample period by 4 student attendance days will have no impact on the statistical validity of the sample (see attached "Statistical Validity Calculation" chart).
 - b. Final comments on PPL 19-XXX RMTS Sample Period are due to the SMAA mailbox by COB Friday May 3, 2019.
 - A stakeholder asked if CMS required a sampling of all student attendance days; DHCS discussed the reduction of the Q4 sample period with CMS and they had no concerns.
 - A stakeholder asked if shortening the quarter would affect whether LECs/LGAs could claim the full amount of TSP costs for that quarter.
 - DHCS reached out to CMS for clarification and they responded:
"What moments are selected for the RMTS sample has no direct connection to what costs are included on the invoice. All costs of the certified TSPs prior to the start of the quarter are included on the SMAA invoice or CRCS form, and the allocation of those costs to Medicaid is dependent upon the RMTS results for whichever staff get selected. The altering of the universe of available moments has no impact on what costs get included."
2. TSP Replacements During the Quarter
 - a. DHCS had a call with CMS on Thursday April 25, 2019.
 - b. We discussed their policy on TSP replacements for both existing TSPs that have left the LEA, and for new TSP providers hired after the TSP list certification.
 - c. They are currently reviewing our request to add a procedure for TSP replacements during a quarter.

- DHCS asked CMS if it was possible to certify a TSP list that includes vacant positions in order to fill those positions with new TSPs that may have been hired after the TSP list was certified.
- New Mexico includes vacant TSP slots and allows the replacement of TSPs if the hiring process is imminent prior to certification.
- CMS is reviewing the request and will provide a response to DHCS soon.

3. Action Items – Review Items

- #1 – PPL 19-XXX:
 - There are no issues with the statistical validity of the sample due to reducing Q4 by four student attendance days.
- #2 – OIG Report A-07-18-04107:
 - The next meeting will be on May 21, 2019; DHCS will send out more information soon.
- #3 – SPA Implementation Timeline:
 - No update at this time.
- #4 – LEA Coding Report Real-Time Access:
 - No update at this time.
- #5 – SPA 15-021 LEA BOP New Services and Practitioners:
 - No update at this time.

4. Future Topics

5. Open Discussion

Next meeting: May 15, 2019, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

- Agenda items due Friday, May 10, 2019, COB to the SMAA mailbox:
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