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DHCS – Draft of Proposed Time Study Implementation Plan Now Available



Local Educational Agency Medi-Cal Billing Option Program

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LEA BOP NOTIFICATION

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To All Local Educational Agency Medi-Cal Billing Option Program (LEA BOP) Partners:

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) is pleased to announce that the ***draft*** of the proposed Time Study Implementation Plan (TSIP) is now available on the [Random Moment Time Study \(RMTS\)](#) website.

What you need to know

- The TSIP was submitted by DHCS to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) on March 25, 2026.
- The proposed TSIP is ***pending CMS approval*** and should not be considered finalized policy. The TSIP is being shared at this time for awareness and to further DHCS' ongoing commitment to transparency.
- DHCS will post a copy of the approved TSIP and notify all program partners when CMS has given approval.

Why this is important

The release of the ***draft TSIP*** marks an important milestone in preparing LEAs for upcoming program requirements effective July 1, 2026. Once approved by CMS, the TSIP will serve as the foundational resource for RMTS and support compliance across both the LEA BOP and the School-Based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (SMAA) Program. Ensuring familiarity with the TSIP will help program partners understand expectations early, plan for any operational adjustments, and be ready to implement the finalized requirements.

We are here to help

- For information regarding the LEA BOP, visit the [LEA BOP website](#).
- For information regarding the SMAA Program, visit the [SMAA website](#).

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- For general LEA BOP questions, e-mail DHCS at LEA@dhcs.ca.gov.
- For personalized assistance, request a [Technical Assistance visit](#).

Sincerely,

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