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Compliance Reviews Update

The April – June (AJ10) compliance reviews for the Direct Service Claiming (DSC) and Medicaid Administrative Claiming (MAC) programs are near completion. Finalizing these reviews will close out Phase II compliance review cycle. As a reminder, please submit your signed Corrective Action Plan (CAP) and any supporting documentation refuting compliance review findings (if applicable) by the timeframe outlined in your compliance review report.

We would like to thank the LEAs that have been working hard to meet and exceed compliance standards. Congratulations to the LEAs that achieved 100% on their compliance review.

We appreciate your cooperation during the compliance review period for the DSC and MAC programs. We welcome your comments, and we look forward to working with you. If you have any questions regarding compliance reviews please contact Jasmina Tarver at (602) 324-5084.

DSC

Distribution of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Funds

In October 2008 the federal government, as a part of ARRA, increased the federal matching (FMAP) portion of the reimbursement for the fee-for-services Medicaid claims. AHCCCS was pleased to be able to distribute additional ARRA funds to the LEAs during these challenging economic times. Below are some of the LEA responses regarding the additional funds received that we would like to share:

“I just got the check in the mail this morning. What a surprise and some extra relief. Thank you so much.”-

Snowflake USD

“We received the ARRA check – always nice to get some additional \$\$” - **Chandler USD**

“Woo hoo!!! We got it. Thanks so much!!!”- **Florence USD**

“We received a lovely bonus check from PCG today and we send our sincere thanks to you and AHCCCS. It’s half a teacher’s salary/benefit package, so it is most appreciated! Yipppeeeee!”- **Sunnyside USD**

PCG POST

MAC

MAC Compliance for April-June 2010 Quarter

Congratulations to Arizona LEAs for completing the AJ10 quarter for MAC and exceeding the 85% minimum compliance rate for completed RMTS moments.

Statewide the RMTS percentage for the quarter was 96.85%. The RMTS percentage for each cost pool is as follows:

Direct Service Cost pool = 97.10%

Administrative Personnel Cost Pool = 96.60%

Each quarter LEAs must meet a minimum 85% compliance rate for completing RMTS moments. PCG asks that each LEA strive for 100% compliance as the RMTS percentage is a statewide percentage used to calculate each LEA's quarterly MAC claim. During the AJ10 quarter there were 130 participating LEAs of which 73 reached 100% compliance, meaning all sampled moments were completed. Outstanding Job!

The LEAs listed below met 100% compliance during the AJ10 quarter:

Agua Fria Union HS	Indian Oasis-Baboquivari Unified	Safford Unified
Ajo Unified	J.O. Combs Unified	Sahuarita Unified
Altar Valley Unified	Kingman Unified	Santa Cruz Valley Unified
Ash Fork Joint Unified	Lake Havasu Unified	Santa Cruz Valley Union HS
AZ Community Dev Corp	Laveen Elementary	Seligman Unified
Bullhead City Elementary	Litchfield Elementary	Sierra Vista Unified
Camp Verde Unified	Littlefield Unified	Snowflake Unified
Casa Grande Elementary	Littleton Elementary	Somerton Elementary
Casa Grande Union	Mammoth-San Manuel Unified	Stanfield Elementary
Catalina Foothills Unified	Maricopa Unified	Sunnyside Unified
Cave Creek Unified	Mary C. O'Brien	Tempe Union HS
Chandler Unified	Mesa Unified	Thatcher Unified
Clarkdale-Jerome Elementary	Miami Unified	Tolleson Elementary
Deer Valley Unified	Mohave Valley Elementary	Tombstone Unified
Dysart Unified	Nadaburg Elementary	Vail Unified
Eloy Elementary	Osborn Elementary	Valley Union HS
Flowing Wells Unified	Palominas Elementary	Whiteriver Unified
Fort Thomas Unified	Parker Union	Willcox Unified
Fountain Hills Unified	Phoenix Elementary	Williams Unified
Fowler Elementary	Phoenix Union HS	Wilson Elementary
Fredonia-Moccasin Unified	Picacho Elementary	Window Rock Unified
Gadsden Unified	Prescott Unified	Yuma Elementary
Gila Bend Unified	Queen Creek Unified	Yuma Union HS
Glendale Elementary	Sacaton Elementary	
Humboldt Unified	Saddle Mountain Unified	

PCG Contract Award News

PCG was awarded the contract to act as a third party administrator for the DSC and MAC programs. The contract was awarded for up to 5 years effective July 1, 2010.

PCG will continue to serve districts/charter schools by providing training, compliance review support, and guidance. PCG looks forward to working with Arizona LEAs, billers, AHCCCS and ADE on this Medicaid Claiming initiative.

New Participation Agreement

The new contract awarded by AHCCCS requires a new participation agreement between LEAs and PCG. Effective July 1, 2010, the updated participation agreement (approved by AHCCCS and signed by each LEA) will serve as a contract that outlines the requirements and responsibilities of both parties. The participation agreement is currently being reviewed by AHCCCS and will be distributed to the LEAs once their review process is complete.

PCG Employee Profile – Marius Comarita

PCG: As a new business analyst at PCG effective May 3, 2010, Marius is excited to be working in the education and healthcare industry. The work Marius finds most rewarding is “anything with kids, helping others, and being of service.” PCG is pleased to provide Marius with just such an opportunity!

Personal Information: Originally from Romania, Marius immigrated to New York City at the age of 18. “I had to overcome many barriers,” Marius states, “learning English, adapting to a new culture, and supporting myself, just to name a few.” Family is important. He and his wife have two little boys, ages 17 months and seven years, with another baby boy due in October.

Education: Marius developed a love for numbers starting at a very young age. “My favorite subject has always been math.” Marius graduated from a very competitive high school in Romania with concentrated studies in math and physics. After a number of years he returned to school to pursue his dream – a career in business. A recent graduate from ASU with a degree in Finance, Marius brings a wealth of knowledge about business processes.

Previous experience: When first in the United States, Marius started out as a bike messenger in Manhattan. He then became a certified auto mechanic and later opened his own auto repair and sales business. Owning his own business taught Marius how to work with efficiency and push himself to the limit to do his best, a work ethic he strives for in everything he does. “Helping clients manage and improve business processes gives me an internal satisfaction,” says Marius, “as with fixing up a car and seeing the customer leave the shop happy, it is rewarding to see the customer pleased with the results.”