

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 20, 2017

THIRD QUARTER (JANUARY 1, 2017 – MARCH 31, 2017) CLAIM AMOUNTS:

- DIRECT SERVICES: \$9,498,671.52 –THIS REPRESENTS THE AMOUNT BILLED BY SCHOOLS/COOPS/CHARTERS FOR SERVICES PROVIDED SUCH AS THERAPY, PERSONAL CARE, VISION/HEARING SCREENS, AUDIOLOGY AND SCHOOL-BASED MENTAL HEALTH.
- ❖ BREAKDOWN OF REIMBURSEMENT TOTALS
 - SPEECH THERAPY - \$ 3,915,198.82
 - PHYSICAL THERAPY - \$ 1,544,558.00
 - OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY - \$ 3,174,511.77
 - PERSONAL CARE - \$ 481,225.57
 - SBMH - \$ 4,897.78
 - VISION/HEARING - \$ 375,756.34
 - AUDIOLOGY - \$ 2,523.24
- INDIRECT SERVICES: \$ 4,060,901.41 (THIS IS AN ESTIMATE) THAT REPRESENTS THE AMOUNT GENERATED BY THE ARMAC PROGRAM. THE CLAIM IS NOT COMPLETED AT THIS TIME.
- MEDICAID MATCH: \$2,840,102.78.

WHAT'S NEW:

- UNDERPERFORMING LETTERS WERE SENT OUT AND HAVE GENERATED A VERY POSITIVE RESPONSE (Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 6-10-119, by May 1 of each year, the Arkansas Department of Education (ADE), Special Education Unit shall determine school districts that are underperforming in the area of direct-service Medicaid billing.) UNDERPERFORMING DISTRICTS ARE IDENTIFIED IF THE DISTRICT HAS A ZERO REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNT OR THE REIMBURSEMENT IS LOW BASED ON SPECIAL ED COUNT, COUNTY MEDICAID RATE, AND THERAPY RATE.
- ADE/DMS WORKING ON RESOLVING ISSUE WITH ANNUAL REVIEW FORM. IN THE PROCESS OF REDUCING SPED PAPERWORK, THE ANNUAL REVIEW FORM WAS ELIMINATED. THE DISTRICT IS REQUIRED TO PROVIDE AN ANNUAL UPDATE OF PROGRESS IN ORDER TO BILL. WE ARE CURRENTLY WORKING WITH DMS TO FIND OUT IF THE CURRENT PILOT IEP UPDATE IS SUFFICIENT.

