

**Arkansas Department of Education - Special Education Unit
Advisory Council for the Education of Children with Disabilities
Medicaid in the Schools (MITS), July 2019**



MITS Team Reorganized

The Arkansas Department of Education (ADE) is in the process of hiring an individual for the Central Arkansas Regional Advisor position, which will complete the staff reorganization of the MITS team. In an effort to ensure Local Education Agencies (LEAs) have easy access to assistance regarding Medicaid in the School operations, the ADE has divided the state into four regions. The ADE houses a MITS Regional Advisor within each region to act as the local liaison to provide direct technical assistance and training to LEA regarding all aspects of Medicaid programming in schools. *See attached MITS Regional Advisor Map.*

New MITS Webpage

The ADE is currently finalizing the details of Medicaid claiming transformation process for LEAs and is on schedule to launch the new MITS website. The goal is to provide school personnel with information regarding Medicaid in the Schools program operations to include guidance, sample documents, contact information, resources, and video tutorials. The new page will also act as the new Arkansas Medicaid Administrative Claiming (ARMAC) point of access for participating districts. The webpage is set to launch to the public in the summer of 2019.

ARMAC

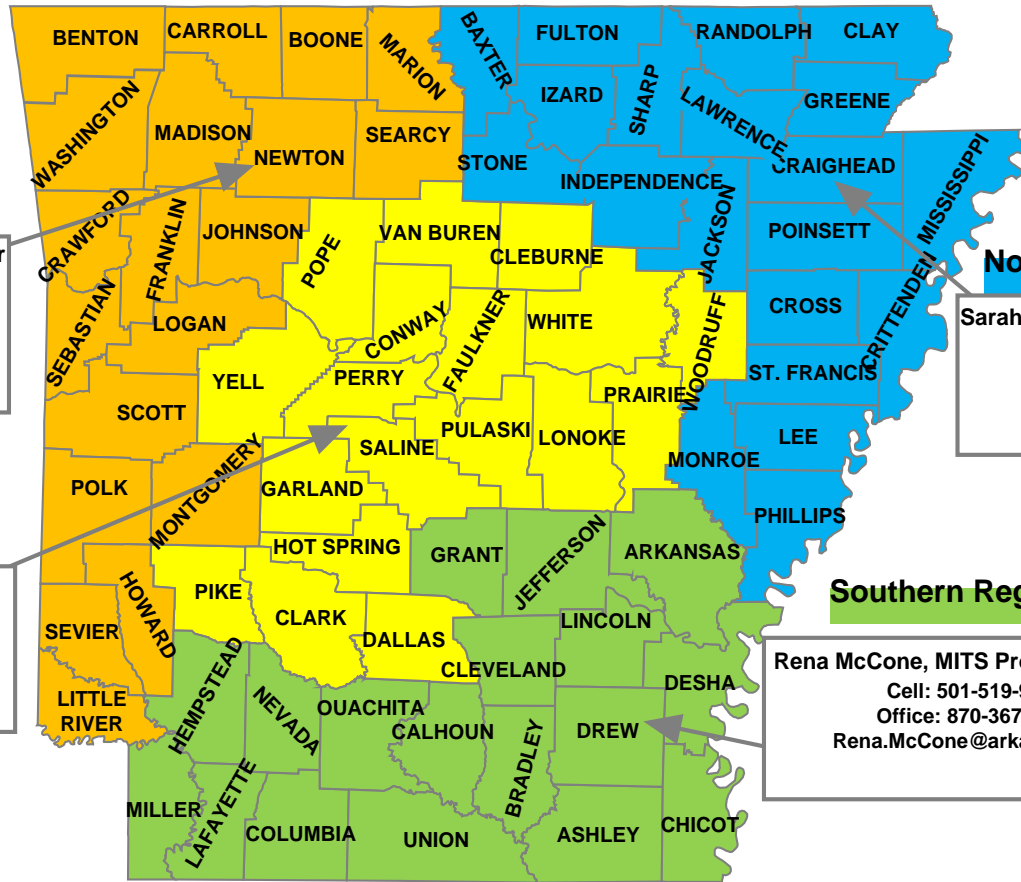
The ADE has completed the pilot for the newly developed ARMAC software to operate the Random Moment Time Study. ADE MITS staff and ADE e-Finance staff are working to get information to school and cooperative personnel regarding designating their ARMAC coordinators and participation rosters in e-Finance using the MAC-P and MAC-C job assignment code. The ADE is on schedule to implement the new system statewide for claiming purposes beginning in August of 2019.

MITS Profiles

ADE has released a LEA Medicaid Profile Trend Report, which details annual billing comparison per district for a 3 year period, 2016, 2017, and 2018. This report may be found at <https://arksped.k12.ar.us/applications/sbmh/default.htm>. The purpose of the report is to assist districts with clearly determining Medicaid billing performance trends.



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