



**MEDICAID IN THE SCHOOLS
PROGRAM UPDATE
SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**



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UPDATE FROM PREVIOUS REPORT:

- Quarter IV Match reports were provided to District Business Manager, ARMAC Coordinators and LEA Supervisors the first week of September. Districts should use the Match reports to verify the total match payment owed for student services provided during Quarter IV of the 2017-2018 school year. Districts should remit all payments to the ADE School Health Services Office.
- The ADE and Department of Human Services/Division of Medicaid are continuing to work together to develop a portal for districts to access Match reports directly from the online Medicaid billing system.

COMMUNICATION UPDATE:

- Commissioner's Memos:
[LS-19-012 Arkansas Medicaid School-Based Therapy Provider Evaluation Guidelines for Retrospective Review](#)

[LS – 19-009 Medicaid Implementation of the PASSE \(Provider-Led Shared Savings Entity\) Model](#)

WHAT'S NEW:

- The new ARMAC software development is progressing. The ADE MITS team, a Special Education representative, and ADE Research and Technology have monthly meetings scheduled to discuss system specs, needs, and project development. The new software is expected to be piloted by 5 school districts during the spring semester of the 2018-2019 school year. The pilot districts have not yet been confirmed.
- An interagency agreement has been executed between the ADE and Department of Human Services (DHS) to allow the MITS team access to the new online Medicaid system (MMIS). This will allow direct access to the Medicaid billing system thus enhancing the technical assistance abilities of the MITS team to assist school personnel with billing claims.
- The ADE MITS team has developed a multi-agency workgroup to develop an LEA/School-Based Services Medicaid Billing Manual. The purpose of this document is to provide clear guidelines for effectively navigating the new Medicaid billing policy and services regulations. The expectation is for the document to be ready for release by June 2019.