Local Commissioners Memorandum

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Section 2

I. Purpose

This Local Commissioners Memorandum (LCM) notifies social services districts (SSDs) of the implementation of claiming deadlines for certain expenditure claims consistent with State Fiscal Year (SFY) 15-16 State budget provisions.

II. Background

Pursuant to Chapter 53 of the Laws of 2015, SFY 15-16 appropriation authority is available for federal and State reimbursement of eligible public assistance and adult shelter expenditure claims, provided the SFY 15-16 claiming deadlines are met.

Pursuant to Section 4 of Part F of Chapter 56 of the Laws of 2012, the federal and non-federal shares of SSDs’ Medical Assistance Administration expenditures for SFY 12-13 and thereafter have been capped. SSDs were notified of their respective non-federal caps in letters from the Department of Health (DOH) dated July 18, 2012.

Pursuant to the Enacted Budget Bill for Aid to Localities Appropriations for SFY 2015-16 to the extent that the Statewide amount of the non-federal share of SSDs’ Medicaid administrative expenditures is less than the Statewide cap, DOH is authorized to allocate up to $23.0 million from the Medical Assistance Administration Program State
Local District Administration appropriation, for the purpose of reimbursing certain SSDs for administrative expenses in excess of such districts’ cap amounts as established in the DOH letter dated July 18, 2012.

III. Program Implications

Subject to the above provision, in order to obtain federal and State share reimbursement, federal and State reimbursement claims for eligible public assistance program expenditures paid from January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015, must be final accepted on the Automated Claiming System (ACS) by March 1, 2016.

For New York City only, adult shelter claims for January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015, must be final accepted on the ACS by March 31, 2016, in order to receive State reimbursement.

Positive claims for these programs final accepted after the above deadlines will not be paid. SSDs will see a reversal of such claims on the monthly RF2/2A settlement as a bottom line adjustment. SSDs should not submit a negative or reversal claim in the ACS as a result of these unpaid claims submitted after the deadline. If an SSD must submit a claim correcting an erroneously submitted claim and the initial claim was not paid because it was submitted after the deadline, then these claims should be identified in the comment field as Correction to Unpaid Claim S___.

Public Assistance Deadline March 1, 2016, for Calendar Year 2015

- Schedule A Expenditures for Family Assistance (LDSS-187)
  
  Line 4 – Federal Share
  Line 6 - State Share
  Column 2 – Grand Total

- Schedule C Expenditures for Safety Net Assistance (LDSS-1040)
  
  Line 4 – Federal Share
  Line 6 - State Share
  Column 2 – Grand Total

- Schedule F Schedule of Costs for Emergency Assistance to Needy Families with Children (LDSS-1285)
  
  Line 4 – Federal Share
  Line 6 - State Share
  Column 2 – Total

- Schedule N TANF Funded Services (LDSS-5045)
  
  Column 4 – Federal Share
  Line 17 – Total Expenditures
Adult Shelter Deadline March 31, 2016 for Calendar Year 2015 – NYC Only

- Schedule B Claiming for Adult Care, EAA and Guide/Service Dogs (LDSS-4744)
  
  Column 3 - Private Institutions  
  Column 4 - Public Homes  
  Column 5 – Adult Shelters  
  Line 4 - State Share

Monthly claims for certified Tier II shelters are included in the time limitation noted in the Public Assistance section above. However, certified Tier II shelters are also subject to the deadline in Part 900 of Social Services Regulations.

Reimbursement amounts should not be recorded as due from New York for claims accepted after the deadlines noted above. The total federal TANF expenditure amounts otherwise eligible for reimbursement had claims been received prior to the deadline and total Safety Net Assistance (SNA) FNP Maintenance of Effort (MOE) expenditures will count towards the TANF Maintenance of Effort.


Medicaid Admin Claiming Limitations After March 31, 2013

Effective April 1, 2013, in accordance with provisions established by Section 4 of Part F of Chapter 58 of the Laws of 2012, there will be no reimbursement made for administrative expenditures in excess of each SSD’s cap amount. However, if the Statewide amount of the non-federal share of SSD’s administrative expenditures is less than the Statewide cap, the reserve, up to $23 million, may be utilized to cover SSD’s expenditures in excess of their respective administrative caps. The administrative cap amounts established for each SSD for CY 2012 will remain in effect for CY 2015.

Medicaid Admin Deadline February 1, 2016 for Calendar Year 2015 and prior periods

- Schedule D-4 Calculation of Medical Assistance Eligibility  
  Determination/Authorization/Payments Cost Shares (LDSS-2347-B2)

  Section I – Calculation of Federal, State and Local Shares  
  Line 8 – Federal Share  
  Column 2 - Title XIX MA Eligibility  
  Column 3 - Title XIX Family Planning  
  Column 4 - Title XIX Personal Care  
  Column 6 - Working Disabled

  Line 12 – State Share  
  Column 2 - Title XIX MA Eligibility  
  Column 3 - Title XIX Family Planning  
  Column 4 - Title XIX Personal Care  
  Column 6 - Working Disabled
Line 13 – Local Share
  Column 2 - Title XIX MA Eligibility
  Column 3 - Title XIX Family Planning
  Column 4 - Title XIX Personal Care

Section II – A-87 Costs
Line 8 – Federal Share
  Column 2 - Title XIX MA Eligibility
  Column 3 - Title XIX Family Planning
  Column 4 - Title XIX Personal Care
  Column 6 - Working Disabled

Line 10 – Total Local Share
  Column 2 - Title XIX MA Eligibility
  Column 3 - Title XIX Family Planning
  Column 4 - Title XIX Personal Care
  Column 6 - Working Disabled

- Schedule D-5 Calculation of Medical Assistance Policy Planning/Administration Cost Shares (LDSS-2347-B3)

Section 1 – Calculation of Federal, State, and Local Shares of Administrative Costs
Line 8 – Total Federal Share
  Column 2 – Family Planning
  Column 3 – Planning/Administration

Line 10 – State Share
  Column 2 – Family Planning
  Column 3 – Planning/Administration

Line 11 – Local Share
  Column 2 – Family Planning
  Column 3 – Planning/Administration

Section 2 – Calculation of A-87 Costs
Line 4 – Federal Share
  Column 2 – Family Planning
  Column 3 – Planning/Administration

Line 5 – Local Share
  Column 2 – Family Planning
  Column 3 – Planning/Administration

- Schedule D-10 Claiming of Fraud & Abuse Administration Costs (LDSS 2347F)

Section 1 – Calculation of Shares of Administrative Costs
Line 7 – Federal Share
  Column 5 – Medical Assistance

Line 9 – State Share
  Column 5 – Medical Assistance

Line 10 – Local Share
  Column 5 – Medical Assistance

Section 2 – Calculation of Shares for A-87 Costs
Line 7 – Federal Share
In order to be counted against the SFY 15-16 ceiling, original and supplemental claims for Medical Assistance administrative expenditures for effective dates of January 1 through December 31, 2015, and prior period claims, must be accepted by February 1, 2016. Claims accepted after this date will be counted against the SFY 16-17 ceiling.

The deadline for claiming SFY 14-15 State Medical Assistance administrative expenditures was extended from February 2, 2015 to February 9, 2015. Therefore, State Medical Assistance Administrative claims for SFY 15-16 shall be those accepted beginning February 10, 2015.

Instructions for completing Schedules D-4, D-5, D-10 and D-6 are found in the Fiscal Reference Manual (FRM) Volume 3, chapters 11, 12, 16 and 13 available at: http://otda.state.nyenet/bfdm/finance/docs/vol03.pdf

Based on the claims submitted for payment through February 1, 2016, DOH will establish final expenditure totals for the federal and non-federal share of SSD administrative costs for each SSD for SFY 2015-16.

The New York State Division of the Budget shall finalize the cap amounts, and authorize payment for any amounts owed from the supplemental funding by March 1, 2016.