

# **CHARTER**SELPA Fiscal Update



## **April 2023 Fiscal Update**

#### In this issue...

- 2022-23 Federal Rate Increase
- Expenditure Reporting: Fed Exp #2, Learning Recovery, Dispute Prevention, ERMHS Level 3 NPS/RTC (Due April 18)
- 2022-23 ADA/Enrollment Reporting (Due April 21)
- 2022-23 Low Incidence Funding (Due May 1)
- New Platform for Submitting 2022-23 Unaudited Actuals
- 2022-23 State & Federal Budget Advice
- Fiscal Workshop
- Important Upcoming Dates
- Handy Links

#### 2022-23 Federal Rate Increase

We have received our RS 3310 Federal Grant Award and calculated the final rate for the 2022-23 fiscal year! The federal funding rate for 2022-23 is **\$146.81**. Updated Funding Details have been posted to the website with the revised rate. An updated Federal Cash Flow will be posted shortly. With the Grant Award in place, we will be submitting our first Expenditure Report based on Mid-Year/Fed Exp #1 reported expenses. We will submit our second Expenditure Report following the Fed Exp #2 reporting period. Although the Fed Exp #2 report is optional (due 4/18/23), we recommend coding and reporting all federal expenditures not reported in Fed Exp #1, in the hopes that we will receive reimbursement by year-end.

#### Expenditure Reporting: Fed Exp #2, Learning Recovery, Dispute Prevention, ERMHS Level 3 NPS/RTC (Due April 18)

Report eligible expenditures for any of these funding streams via the Fiscal Portal by April 18, 2023. As a reminder, cash is released only after expenditures are reported and certified. Reporting is optional, but encouraged in advance of the end of the year when final expenditures must be reported.

#### 2022-23 ADA/Enrollment Reporting (Due April 21)

Data reporting to the SELPA now includes snapshot reports of school-wide ADA and enrollment. The SELPA membership consists of over 200 partners operating more than 440 schools. With such a large base, identifying enrollment and ADA trends throughout the year is needed to facilitate accurate budgeting and effective analysis. The Fiscal Portal template will require minimal completion time but will supply the SELPA with tremendously valuable data. Please log into the Fiscal Portal and complete the ADA/Enrollment Report #3 by April 21, 2023.

#### 2022-23 Low Incidence Funding (Due May 1)

A substantial pool of Low Incidence funds is available—following is the list of criteria for reimbursement.

- The student must have an identified low incidence disability (primary or secondary).
- The request must meet a minimum of \$600.
- The services and/or materials must be:
  - necessary for the student to meet their Individualized Education Plan (IEP) goals and objectives;
  - necessary for the student to access general education;
  - $\circ$   $\,$  be specialized as it relates to a need or the needs of the low incidence disability; and
  - be indicated in a comprehensive evaluation completed by staff or a provider who is credentialed/knowledgeable of the low incidence disability area(s).

The <u>Low Incidence Reimbursement Request</u> is now open in the Fiscal Portal. We encourage partners to enter requests with the budget for materials/services as soon as possible. The final day to submit requests will be May 1, 2023, with actual expenditures due in July 2023.

The Low Incidence Reimbursement Request is now open in the Fiscal Portal. We encourage LEAs to enter requests with the budget for materials/services as soon as possible. The final day to submit requests will be May 1, 2023, with actual expenditures due in July 2023.

#### New Platform for Submitting 2022-23 Unaudited Actuals

Although not a special education-related item, we want to help spread the word that your charter school may be submitting unaudited actuals (UA) to your authorizer and CDE in a different manner this year. In past years, charters that do not report via the Standardized Account Code Structure (SACS) system used the Charter School Alternative Form spreadsheet. This year, **all** charter schools must use the web-based SACS system, designed to run on the Chrome browser. CDE will not post a 2022-23 Charter School Alternative Form spreadsheet for reporting UA data.

The Alternative Form reporting component of SACS is currently in beta testing. CDE plans on opening UA reporting in the system in mid to late June. However, SACS user profiles can be created at any time. Your authorizer administers SACS user access. We suggest that you reach out to your authorizer soon to establish user accounts for the relevant members of your charter school business team. We will continue to report on this change as we receive further updates.

#### 2022-23 State & Federal Budget Advice

- 2022-23 Charter Member Rate (State) = \$820 per the higher of each charter's 2020-21, 2021-22, or 2022-23 P-2 ADA (before admin fee & set aside for new charters).
- 2022-23 Federal Rate = \$146.81 per 2021-22 Enrollment/Fall 1(before admin fee).
- ERMHS Funding finalized by CEO Council in October:
  - Set aside \$480K to fund approved 2022-23 Site-Based Therapeutic programs at 80% of eligible expenditures. If this amount is not sufficient, the reimbursements will be prorated.
  - Set aside \$4.3M to fund NPS mental health services at 90% and RTC room and board at 100% of eligible expenditures. If this amount is not sufficient, the reimbursements will be prorated.
  - The remainder of mental health funding, estimated at \$14.9M, will be passed through to partners monthly based on P-2 ADA. These distributions are at a rate of \$58/ADA and will be adjusted at P-2.
- Low Incidence = Up to \$1,000 for eligible materials/services per student, which may increase upon final funding determination (Fiscal Portal submission required).

#### **Fiscal Workshop**

Our Year-End Fiscal Workshop will be held on **April 27, 2023**, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. The workshop will cover current budget updates and topics related to end-of-year processes. Registration is available <u>here.</u>

#### **Important Upcoming Dates**

4/18/2023 - Expenditure Reports (Fed#2, Lvl 3, NPS/RTC, LR & DP)

4/21/2023 - ADA/Enrollment Report #3

4/27/2023 - Year-End Fiscal Workshop (online)

**4/28/2023** – Checks Issued (Apr State, ERMHS Per ADA & Lvl 3, Learning Recovery, Dispute Prevention)

### Handy Links

<u>Fiscal Portal</u> <u>Funding Detail</u> <u>State Cash Flow Projection</u> <u>Federal Cash Flow Projection</u>