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Introducing...

We are excited to announce our new SELPA Business Services Director Calli Coleman. Calli brings with her a wealth of expertise coming from the Shasta County Office of Education, where she has supported the COE's multi-district SELPA since 2019. Calli's experience includes responsibility for business operations, special education compliance, data management, and reporting.

Prior to joining Shasta COE, Calli spent fourteen years in public accounting. Calli takes great pride in having served in the United States Air Force. Their core values – integrity first, service before self, and excellence in all we do – had a tremendous impact on her. Calli lives these values, which are in direct alignment with our values at the El Dorado County Office of Education.

We eagerly anticipate the impactful contributions Calli will undoubtedly bring to our organization as she leads our SELPA Business and Data teams.

Open Office Hours: Year-End Reporting

There is one more day of "open office hours" to support your year-end processing. During Open Office Hours, partners may enter the Zoom meeting at any time between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM, and our team will be available to answer your questions.

- [September 6, 2023, Open Office Hours Zoom Link](#)

Revenue Updates

Mental Health Revenue

With the shift to direct LEA funding of mental health revenue (see next article), mental health funds should now be coded to RS 6546, OBJ 8590, and GOAL 0000 and no longer need to be coded to a special education GOAL. These funds remain restricted because they must be used for mental health activities but are now available to serve all students. Should mental health revenue be used to fund services to special education students, your expenses would still be coded as such.

CEO Council voted to allocate a portion of the Charter SELPA's Out-of-Home Care dollars to the mental health pool for 2022-23, which required us to use them to spend down the pool at year end. As a result, you may have received a portion of your mental health allocation in RS 6500 (Out of Home Care). These are state funds subject to the same rules as your AB602 funds. While not mental health-specific, they are restricted to special education expenditures.

For your 2022-23 SELPA reporting, this means the following:

- There will be no expenditure reporting for your monthly per-ADA allocations. However, all NPS/RTC/SBT pool reimbursement requests will still require expenditure reporting.
- Mental health revenues will not appear on your Year-End Maintenance of Effort (though you will be able to report special ed mental health expenses under RS 6546).
- RS 6500 (Out of Home Care) revenues will show on your Year-End Maintenance of Effort as Mental Health Per ADA revenue.

Learning Recovery and Dispute Prevention Revenues

It has been brought to our attention that the revenue Object code for these Resources was incorrect in the Year-End Fiscal Workshop. The correct Object code for your revenue is 8590, not 8792.

Mental Health Funding Update for 2023-24

Beginning in the 2023-24 fiscal year, all mental health funding (state and federal) will flow directly to LEAs, removing the SELPA from the distribution of these revenues. CEO Council has voted to maintain an NPS/RTC pool, which will continue to support CPI training/certification, NPS/RTC placements, and Site-Based Therapeutic programs. This pool will be funded with Out-of-Home care revenue and a per-ADA contribution from our partners. **This contribution will be a deduction from your monthly State allocation, currently projected at a rate of \$12.50/P-2 ADA, following the same schedule as your monthly State allocation.**

LEAs should expect to receive a Grant Award Notice from CDE for federal mental health funding (RS 3327). The grant is calculated on prior-year ADA from the P-2 certification. Your LEA will be required to provide a wet signature on the Grant Award, and revenue is disbursed on a reimbursement basis via LEA expenditure reporting directly to CDE. Federal mental health funds must be utilized for students with IEPs. These funds will remain subject to the requirements of IDEA, which include meeting the Maintenance of Effort testing.

State mental health funds will flow directly to LEAs through the Principal Apportionment every month. Funding is based on the current year's P-2 ADA, with the Advanced Apportionment (July through January) based on prior-year ADA, then updating at the P-1 and P-2 certifications with current year ADA. For LEAs in their first year of operation, funding will begin with the P-1 certification in February 2024. No reporting is required with state mental health funding, and state mental health revenue may be used for all students, with or without an IEP, for mental health and behavioral services.

Year-End Maintenance of Effort (MOE)

The Year-End MOE is now open for reporting. We are currently accepting Actual (SEMA) and Budget (SEMB) reports while we finish up revisions to the Excess Cost and Subsequent Year Tracking forms. There are quite a few changes to the Year-End MOE, so we highly recommend reviewing the [MOE Instructions](#). All reporting is due on September 8, 2023.

2023-24 State & Federal Budget Advice

State Funding

State Rate = \$887.40 per Funded P-2 ADA

- Funded ADA is the higher of the current year, prior year, or prior-prior year ADA and is revised with subsequent certification periods.
- Admin Fees are calculated on total state and federal funding and are taken off the top of the state allocation.
- Set Aside contributions for first-year partners are deducted at \$5/Funded P-2 ADA.

Federal Funding

Preliminary Federal Rate = \$130.00 per 22-23 Enrollment/Fall 1 (Federal rate adjusts mid-year with the receipt of the Grant Award.)

Mental Health Funding

NPS/RTC Pool partner contribution from state funding = \$12.50/P-2 ADA

Low Incidence Funding

Low Incidence = 100% of the lesser of approved budget or final expenditures

Important Upcoming Dates

7/7/2023 – Final 2022-23 Funding Updates Posted

7/13/2023 – SpEd Business 101 (online)

7/14/2023 – Final 2022-23 Expenditure Reports (Federal, ERMHS, Low Incidence, Dispute Prevention, Learning Recovery)

7/31/2023 – Checks Issued (23-24 Jul State)

Handy Links

[Fiscal Portal](#)

[2022-23 Funding Detail](#)

[2022-23 State Cash Flow Projections](#)

[2022-23 Federal Cash Flow Projections](#)

[2023-24 Funding Detail & Cash Flow \(Advance Apportionment\)](#)