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ANNOUNCEMENT

Federal Fiscal Year 2012
(October 2011 to September 2012)

Medicaid Administrative Claiming
Mandatory Annual Training for Early Childhood Intervention programs

Annual MAC financial training is mandatory for all Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) programs that wish to participate in the Medicaid Administrative Claiming (MAC) program. Training sessions are conducted by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC).

In order to receive credit and access to the online MAC financials for FFY 2012, attendance at MAC financial training is mandatory. One primary contact is required to receive MAC financial training, but it is highly recommended that each district have a primary and secondary trained contact to ensure proper and timely reporting.

It is crucial that ECIs understand that compliance with the MAC financial annual training requirement is mandatory. Failure to comply with this requirement will impact the ECI's ability to draw funding for MAC. In addition, ECI's will not be given full access to the online financial system for FFY 2012 until the annual training requirement is met.

The below link will take you to the HHSC Rate Analysis Department ECI training information webpage on which you will find details about training requirements, training registration, as well as a list of contacts should you have any questions.

<http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/rad/time-study/ts-eci-training.shtml>

The MAC financial training schedule has been posted.

"Initial versus Refresher"

Training requirements can be met by one of two methods. MAC Financial Contacts who have never attended MAC Financial ECI training must attend "initial" training. Those who have attended an initial training may attend either initial or refresher training. See above website for additional details.

Please note that beginning for FFY 2012, the training for MAC Financial Contacts is being held separate from the training for RMTS Contacts. Although an overview of the MAC Financial will be provided during the RMTS training, it is mandatory for the MAC Financial Contact to attend the separate MAC Financial Contact training in order to be granted access to the online MAC financial for FFY 2012.

If you have any questions, please contact the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) MAC Unit at MAC@hhsc.state.tx.us or at 512-491-1802.