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### May 27, 2025 - EI Fiscal Workgroup Notes

#### **Standing Agenda Items**

##### **Duplicate Payments**

- BEI provided updates on the examples of duplicate payments submitted by counties previously:
  - One Medicaid sweep issue was resolved
  - Other claims appeared to have correct units but understated billed amounts, BEI and PCG are further investigating these instances
- Counties requested additional fiscal reporting capabilities and a training session on report navigation
  - BEI suggested creating an agenda for a training session to cover available reports and maximize current resources
  - NYSACHO will circulate a query to the workgroup for initial thoughts on training topics, then send them to all counties for feedback before submitting to BEI for planning

##### **Covered Lives**

- LHDs reported that a draft letter is being finalized to be sent to the DOB, requesting clarification on;
  - CL allocation amounts and percentages for each county
  - Explanation of how CL allocations are calculated based on escrow payments
  - CL disbursement schedule
- The draft will also be shared with the state for comments
- NYC requests a different mechanism for reimbursing the counties for Covered Lives other than a credit to the county escrow account/invoice.

##### **Safety Net Payments**



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- A sample invoice structure has been created to show recoupment amounts and remaining balances
- BEI confirmed the invoice is already in use, but no recoupment has occurred yet
  - The invoice includes:
    - Line reference and amount paid for stop-gap payments
    - Amount recouped to date (currently zero)
  - Counties may request more specific information at the provider level
- BEI mentioned that notices indicated the last stop-gap payment would be available June 19, 2025.
- Recoupment is not scheduled to begin until July
- NYSACHO will circulate the sample invoice to the workgroup for review and feedback. SDOH requested submission of feedback by end of June.

### **County Escrow Agreements**

- LHDs reported that a draft is being prepared to update the escrow agreement:
  - Will include language about advances and timelines
  - Aim to accurately reflect potential future realities

LHDs clarified the goal is to make general updates and include a provision for periodic review of the agreement

### **Statute of Limitations on EI Claims**

- BEI reported that BEI will discuss with PCG the status of unpaid claims over two years old
  - Two years is considered a potential cut-off point as claims can no longer go to Medicaid after this time
  - Focus may be on cleaning up claims in pending status, particularly those still in insurance
    - Current provider requirements:
      - Initial claim submission within 90 days



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- Two years to work on the claim (based on Medicaid standards)
- LHDs noted that municipalities find it difficult when old claims are "resurrected" after two years

### **County-Submitted Items**

#### **Parent Transportation Reimbursement**

- A question was submitted from a county requesting additional information on the timeline of payments for Parent Transportation Reimbursement
  - BEI explained that parent transportation reimbursement follows a routine 9-month lag
    - Services prior to July 1, 2024, should have been reimbursed if submitted on time
    - Reimbursement for services from July 1, 2024, forward has not yet begun

#### **EI Transportation Claims**

- NYC raised concerns about the 400-claim limit for vouchering transportation claims:
  - Current system doesn't allow easy selection of specific claims
  - Vouchering 400 claims at a time is impractical for large volumes
  - BEI will provide feedback on the issue and look into potential solutions
- CPT codes for EI transportation claims:
  - CPT codes are not automatically applied and must be chosen
  - T2003 is commonly used for non-emergency transportation
  - SDOH to advise NYC on the process for resolving these claims.
- NYC noted discrepancies in billing rates for transportation claims in EI billing, including \$0 amount billed. NYC would like to understand the reason for the varying billed amounts.



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- BEI will investigate the different rates observed, as only pre-July 1, 2023 claims should have the old rate
- NYC sent examples of such claims to SDOH per SDOH's request.

### ***Open Discussion***

#### **Medicare Retro Payments**

- LHDs inquired about the status of Medicare retro payments
  - BEI confirmed that claims have been prepared and submitted, but payment release is pending DOB approval

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