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ACTION NEEDED

1. Security Roles for Third Party Administrator (TPA)

(With 2 Attachments)

One of the requirements necessary to create the new TPA system is the creation of the Security and the planning of the Training. In order to gather this information, attached to the weekly memo is a Security Matrix to **list all staff** who need to be trained or will be trained and have access to the system. The Security Matrix is called "**TPA Security Roles.xls**".

On the **Assignment Tab**, we need each LES to identify which staff will have what role in order to plan training and security. I have prefilled six examples of staff to assist you in your identification. I have given them first names in my examples as Management, Data Custodian, Intake Specialist, Service Coordinator, Fiscal, and Non-User. Non-Users are people who still need to be trained in the system but won't be given access. We will need to collect the following information for each employee:

- LES/Office
- Last Name
- First Name
- Middle Initial
- Work Address
- Phone Number
- E-mail Address

and their Security Roles:

- Program Administration
- Care Coordination
- Member Services
- Provider Management
- Fiscal Operations

If you want more detailed information about what the Roles are intended to do, or what the applications do, or what the access means, then you can read the document called "**Security Roles Read Me.doc**". Call David Johnson if you have any questions. It is vital that you get this information back to us immediately so that we can provide it to MED3000 so they can build the system.

Please **complete this information** on the Assignment Tab of the TPA Security Roles excel file for all staff on the Assignment Tab **and send to David_Johnson3@doh.state.fl.us by July 20th at Close of Business.**

INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

2. Laws passed impacting Florida's Health care regulation

A number of new laws recently went into effect that may impact health care professionals in our state. The Division of Medical Quality Assurance (MQA) has placed links to important information about these new laws on the Legislation Update section of the MQA website -

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/mqa/Legislation/legis.htm>.

If you receive calls from health care licensees with questions about the impact of recent legislation on their profession, please direct them to the website link provided.

If they wish to speak directly with someone, please provide them the phone number to the MQA Call Center at (850) 488-0595.

3. U.S. Department of Education Releases 2011 Application for Promise Neighborhoods Program, Includes New Implementation Grants and Second Round of Planning Grants

\$30 Million Now Available to Plan and Develop Cradle-to-Career Services with Great Schools at Center

The U.S. Department of Education released today the application for the second phase of the Promise Neighborhoods program, including new implementation grants and a second round of planning grants, totaling \$30 million. Nonprofits, institutions of higher education and Indian tribes are eligible to apply for funds to develop or execute plans that will improve educational and developmental outcomes for students in distressed neighborhoods.

The Department expects to award first-year funds for four to six implementation grants with an estimated grant award of \$4 million to \$6 million. Implementation grantees will receive annual grants over a period of three to five years with total awards ranging from \$12 million to \$30 million. Remaining 2011 funds will go toward 10 new one-year planning grants with an estimated grant award of \$500,000.

Promise Neighborhoods grants will provide critical support for comprehensive services ranging from early learning to college and career, including programs to improve the health, safety, and stability of neighborhoods, as well as to boost family engagement in student learning. President Obama's fiscal year 2012 budget requests \$150 million to provide continued funding support to implementation grantees in addition to funding a new round of planning and implementation grants.

"Education is central to revitalizing our nation's distressed communities," said U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan. "This next round of Promise Neighborhoods grants will help communities create and put into action plans that provide children and families with the educational opportunities, health services and safety they deserve."

The new implementation grants will support communities in their efforts to enlist and coordinate better education, health and safety services, as well as provide young people the opportunity to be successful at the key stages of their lives. Specifically, funds can be used to improve learning inside and outside of school, build support staff, secure additional and sustainable funding sources, and establish data systems to record and share the community's development and progress. Like Round One, planning grants will continue to support the creation of plans for providing high-need communities with the groundwork for building cradle-to-career services with great schools at the center.

"The challenges in distressed neighborhoods demand innovative solutions," said Jim Shelton, assistant deputy secretary for Innovation and Improvement. "Through Round One, we're seeing great work happening in many communities planning Promise Neighborhoods - using data to better understand community needs and drive decisions, building strategic partnerships and leveraging public and private resources to dramatically improve the lives and life outcomes of children and youth. We look forward to seeing this great work spread to more communities in round two."

In fiscal year 2010, the Department launched the first round of the Promise Neighborhoods competition, making available a total of \$10 million for one-year planning grants. More than 300 communities from 48 states and the District of Columbia submitted applications. Currently, 21 communities across the country are developing plans to create Promise Neighborhoods.

Because of the great potential for Promise Neighborhoods to catalyze the revitalization of communities in significant distress, it is closely linked to the White House Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative, which seeks to align federal housing, education, justice, financial asset building and health programs with the overarching

goal of transforming neighborhoods of concentrated poverty into neighborhoods of opportunity.

Applications will be due on Sept. 6, 2011. Winners will be selected and awards will be made no later than Dec. 31, 2011. Officials from the Department of Education's Office of Innovation and Improvement will conduct several webinars for potential applicants. All webinars require participants to register in advance. Registration and additional information about the Promise Neighborhoods program will be available at <http://www2.ed.gov/programs/promiseneighborhoods/index.html> in the coming days.

Please visit us at <http://www.ed.gov/early-learning>

4. ESSO Notice to LESs, Therapists and Other Providers re: 2011 Medicaid Audit Overpayments - CLARIFICATIONS

A. REMITTANCE PAYEES: In response to a question received from the field, please note that no ESSO payments will be made directly to Medicaid. All reimbursements are to be made directly to Early Steps providers, for overcharges paid back/being paid/or to be paid to Medicaid by the provider.

B. Q&A'S: For further questions or clarifications, providers should contact their LES. For questions or additional information needed by the LES prior to submittal of claims package requests, the LES should contact Carol Burch at ESSO, via e-mail: carol_burch@doh.state.fl.us.

C. PROCESS AND COVER SHEETS: For details regarding who, if and how to request reimbursement for Medicaid claims overcharged due to HMO enrollment at time of service (discovered as a result of either formal Medicaid audit or provider self audit), see the 7/7/11 edition of the ESSO Weekly Memo.

UPCOMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, OR TRAININGS

5. Implementation for Phase III of the Early Steps Data System Enhancements (With 1 Attachment)

Implementation for Phase III of the Early Steps Data System Enhancements was completed on Monday, July 11th. A stand alone PowerPoint document (see

attachment) was distributed to Early Steps Directors, Coordinators and Data Users prior to implementation to assist in training efforts. A Question and Answer conference call has been scheduled for **Wednesday, July 20th from 1:00 pm to 3:00 p.m.** The conference information is as follows:

Conference Call # 1-888-808-6959
Conference Code # 6463553

6. Save the Date - LES and State Annual Part C Indicator 3 FY 2009-10 Child Outcome Reports Data Webinar

There will be a Webinar on **July 20th, 2011 from 10 to 11:30 AM** where Batya Elbaum, Ph.D. will present the 2009-2010 reports and discuss the results. Dr Elbaum is the Associate Professor and Associate Chair of the Department of Teaching and Learning, School of Education, at the University of Miami. She provides valuable analysis and interpretation of our BDI-2 Data Manager data for Child Outcomes. The Call-in information and Webinar link will be sent to everyone soon along with the individual LES Annual Reports and the State Report for FY 2009-10 so that LES can review these ahead of time and be prepared with questions.