

# Approved Private Schools: Changes to Participation in the School-Based ACCESS Program November 24, 2014



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## Financial Management Review (FMR)



## Review conducted by CMS

- Initiated by CMS in January 2012
- Met with CMS in May 2012
- State Plan Amendment required
  - Cost-based payment methodology
    - Cost reconciliation
    - Random Moment Time Study (RMTS)
- State responded to multiple CMS questions regarding funding of APS
- State Administrative Claiming Plan required

# FMR Final Report



## **CMS** requirements:

- State cannot use CPE for APSs
- Change payment methodology for APSs because they are not a government unit
- Revise approved State Plan to reflect change in payment methodology

## Revision to State Plan:

Contract between APSs and LEAs

# Revised Payment Process



#### Considerations:

- Currently APS tuition rates (FY2014-15) were established with the assumption of the direct reimbursement of Medicaid dollars for the SBAP.
- Recalculation of all APS tuition rates would result in a significant delay in funding for school districts/charter schools (LEAs) who receive 60/40 funds.
- Provide payment to APS during January 1, 2015 June 30, 2015

# **Revised Payment Process**



#### **January 1, 2015 - June 30, 2015**

- APSs will submit direct service claims into the EasyTrac system.
- Each claim will be attributed to the LEA which is the responsible entity for the student.
- PCG will submit claims to DPW for Medicaid reimbursement on behalf of the LEAs.
- The Medicaid reimbursement money generated by the APS claim that is paid to PDE on behalf of the LEA will be distributed into the APS FAI account by PDE.

# **Revised Payment Process**



#### **July 1, 2015 - forward**

- APSs which contract with LEAs will submit direct service claims into the EasyTrac system.
- Each claim will be attributed to the LEA which is the responsible entity for the student.
- PCG will submit claims to DPW for Medicaid reimbursement on behalf of the LEAs.
- The Medicaid reimbursement money generated by the APS claim that is paid to PDE on behalf of the LEA will be distributed to the LEA.

## Committee



#### **Committee:**

- A committee will be established to include APSs, LEAs, IUs, PDE, DPW, and PCG.
- Committee will advise DPW on the implementation of the revised payment process for school-based services provided by APSs.

# EasyTrac



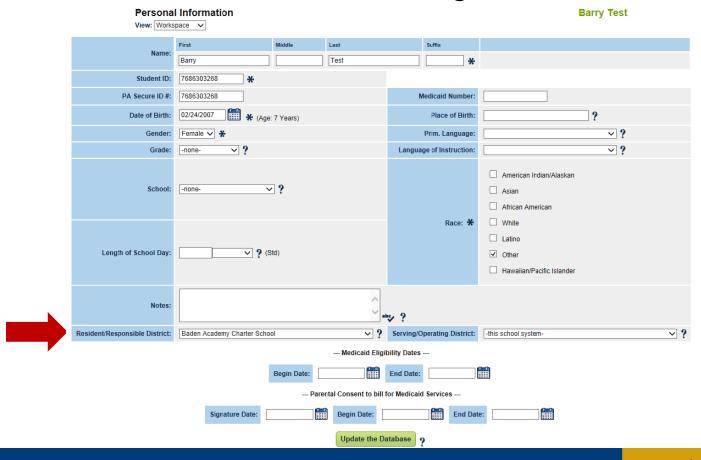
## Overview of EasyTrac requirements

- Status quo, log for students you provide services to at your APS.
- One additional data element needed. Responsible school district needs to be designated for each student. One time update.

# EasyTrac



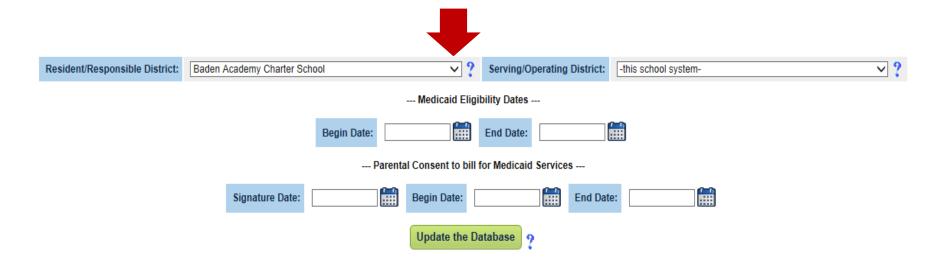
 The Resident/Responsible District feature is accessed on the student's Personal Information Page.



# Responsible District



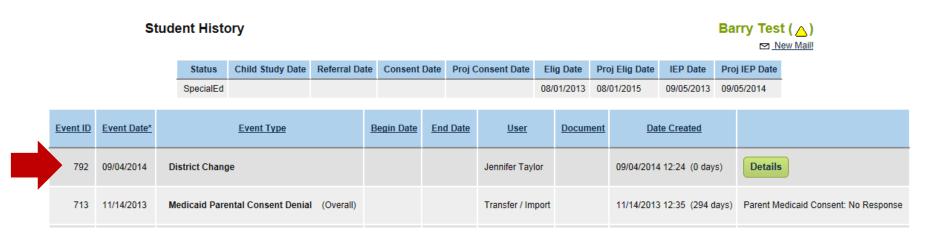
The Resident/Responsible District Dropdown shows all LEAs that have an EasyTrac site in the dropdown menu.



# District Change



When Resident/Responsible District is changed it will appear on the "Student History" Page as a "District Change". This change is time stamped when it was updated in EasyTrac.



# District Change: Event



 When the "Details" button on "District Change" event is clicked it will note the following information.

**Event Type: District Change** 

Date:	09/04/2014
Created By:	Jennifer Taylor
School:	
Resident/Responsible District:	Baden Academy Charter School
Previous Resident/Responsible District:	Barber National Institute
Serving/Operating District:	
Previous Serving/Operating District:	
Changed By:	Jennifer Taylor

# RMTS & Cost Reporting



- APSs no longer need to complete staff pool lists or school calendars
  - No APS information is due December 5, 2014 for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter (Jan. to Mar. 2015).
- LEAs will report tuition on cost reports for each APS for services delivered between January 1 and June 30, 2015 during the FY 14-15 Cost Settlement period.

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