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## The OMPP to provide enhanced Fraud and Abuse Detection System



The Indiana Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning (OMPP) has contracted with Thomson Reuters Healthcare to provide an enhanced Fraud and Abuse Detection System (FADS). Effective September 2, 2011, this new system will bring significant additional resources for the audit and investigation of provider billing practices.

The OMPP is confident that this enhanced focus will help ensure that Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) funds are being properly expended. In addition, the resources available through the Thomson Reuters team can help providers identify billing and documentation practices that may warrant further education and attention.

As part of the FADS, the OMPP has requested that Thomson Reuters subcontract with an independent Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC), similar to the RAC program in Medicare. The RAC will audit payments made to healthcare providers to identify Medicaid payments that may have been underpaid or overpaid, and to recover overpayments or correct underpayments. RAC services are being provided by HMS. Initially, HMS will assist Thomson Reuters and the OMPP in identifying and auditing providers with outstanding credit balances.

Providers are encouraged to perform ongoing self-review to ensure compliance with Medicaid payment guidelines. Should these self-reviews identify any potential overpayments, the OMPP is to be notified through Indiana Medicaid's provider self-disclosure process.

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The *Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act* (PPACA) provisions outline that, if a person has received an overpayment (other than routine adjustments), the person shall:

- Report and return the overpayment, within 60 days of identification, to the Secretary, the State, an intermediary, a carrier, or a contractor, as appropriate, at the correct address.
- Notify the Secretary, the State, an intermediary, a carrier, or a contractor to which the overpayment was returned, in writing, of the reason for the overpayment.

In Indiana, overpayments should be returned, reported, and explained to the Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) Program Integrity Department at the following address:

IHCP Program Integrity Department  
P.O. Box 636297  
Cincinnati, OH 45263-6297

#### QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions about the FADS or the RAC implementations, please call the IHCP Provider and Member Concerns Line at 1-800-457-4515, Option 8.

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