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Medicaid Administrative Claiming
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TO: **Superintendents of Contracted School Districts**
School District Medicaid Administrative Claiming Coordinators
School District Business Managers

FROM: Alan Himsl, Unit Supervisor
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SUBJECT: Update on School-Based Medicaid Administrative Claiming (MAC) Program

On December 4, 2014, the Attorney General's Office, Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU), filed a civil fraud complaint against JT Educational Consultants (JTEC), a consulting firm with which many school districts have chosen to contract in recent years. The Health Care Authority (HCA) has received calls from many districts asking for clarification regarding the potential impact of the complaint on the MAC program.

HCA has never contracted with JTEC for any aspect of the MAC program. The decision to contract with JTEC has been, and continues to be, at the sole discretion of individual school districts. If your school has a contract with JTEC, HCA recommends you consult with your legal counsel.

MFCU's complaint names JTEC and certain owners or administrators as defendants; it does not name any individual school districts. At this time, HCA intends to continue operating the MAC program under the current process that was approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services in 2005 and in accordance with applicable federal and state law.

HCA is also continuing to perform desk reviews of school claims and on-site monitoring visits as scheduled. As always, HCA is committed to continuing to support and assist contracted school districts in answering questions concerning the administration of the MAC program. If there are any changes to the current program status, HCA will notify all contracted school districts.

If you have any additional questions on this matter please contact me by email at alan.himsl@hca.wa.gov or telephone at (360) 725-1647.

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