

SSIS Fiscal Flyer

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Social Services Information System

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SSIS Fiscal implements federal CW-TCM changes

As you know, the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) issued an interim final regulation on December 4, 2007. One clear aspect of that regulation is that child welfare targeted case management (CW-TCM) will no longer qualify for FFP (federal financial participation) after March 3, 2008

To comply with that regulation, SSIS will not submit claims for FFP for CW-TCM services provided after February 29, 2008. This date was chosen rather than March 3 because significant programming changes to both MMIS and SSIS would be required to allow claiming for just March 1st and 2nd, which are both weekend days.

In the Version 5.0 release (planned for mid-February), SSIS will add an effective end date of February 29, 2008 to the following Health Care Procedure Codes (HCPCS)/Modifiers for CW-TCM services:

- T2023 U3 CW-TCM, face-to-face
- T2023 U3 U4 CW-TCM, telephone

Counties will still be able to choose BRASS service codes and activities associated with CW-TCM on the SSIS Contact/Activity screen for services provided after February 29, 2008 but no HCPC will be associated with those services.

SSIS will retain the current CW-TCM Supplemental Eligibility information and also continue to allow staff to enter CW-TCM initial eligibility and annual reviews if counties so desire.

Time records entered after February 29, 2008 on the SSIS Contact/Activity screen for services provided on or before February 29, 2008 will continue to be submitted to MMIS for reimbursement until 12 months after the service date. The appropriate edits in SSIS will still be applied and counties are expected to maintain the usual backup documentation.

Reminder:

Send all e-mails to Help Line



The Fiscal staff strongly encourage authorized contacts to e-mail the Help Line at ssishelp@state.mn.us instead of the **discontinued** ssisfiscal@state.mn.us address. Help Line

staff monitor the inbox throughout the day, while the discontinued mailbox is only checked periodically. If the Fiscal mailbox is going to be used for a specific response tally, you will be directed to use it at that time. *Thank you!*

CountyLink Additions _____

These SSIS web documents have been posted:

- ◆ 2008 Workstation Recommendations
- ◆ CMHRS Spec
- ◆ Reviewed: Reference Docs #190, 195, 196, 197, 212, 520
- ◆ V5.0 Data Definition documents
- ◆ Final Fiscal Mentor meeting handouts

SSIS Frequently-Called Phone Numbers

Main Line 651-431-4800 Help Line 651-431-4801

Fax 651-431-7521 ssishelp@state.mn.us

SSIS Workstation Recommendations – 2008 for NEW Purchases

Standard PC configurations continue to improve as prices continue to fall. This year SSIS is simplifying the recommendation for **new** workstation purchases for SSIS users to one **minimum** configuration. The recommended minimum configuration is the standard for both DHS and SSIS, and it will work well for all types of county SSIS users. As always, if affordability is not an issue, more memory (2 GB) is always better.

Computer

1. Processor: Intel Core 2 Duo Processor, 2.3 GHz or equivalent (or higher)
2. Memory: 1 GB (minimum) or more RAM
3. Storage: 80 Gigabyte Hard Drive
4. Network Card: Any card compatible with county's local area network topology, such as Ethernet 10/100 or Ethernet Gigabit and/or a wireless card

Operating System

Microsoft Windows XP Professional

Note: SSIS does not support Microsoft Windows Vista at this time.

Monitor

17" or 19" LCD or flat panel monitor.

Note: Fiscal users should have 19" monitors because of the large screen displays for fiscal functions.