

Non Substantive Change Request

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Change Description

This is a request for approval of a non-substantive change to Controlling Board Request No. JFS0100171, approved on June 13, 2011. The request was for approval of a contract with Mercer Health and Benefits, LLC, for actuarial services relative to the Medicaid Program. The total approved budget and scope of services will not be changed as a result of this amendment. However, ODJFS is requesting approval to move funds currently assigned to the Program Review and Audit deliverable to the Fiscal Analysis deliverable in the amount of \$42,668.00 in SFY2012 funds. Specifically, funds set aside for prompt pay audits in SFY 2012 will be used for increasing the efficiency of the program. Based on previous prompt pay audit reports, all seven contracted managed care plans (MCPs) have met the prompt pay audit requirements. This year, it is not critical to conduct this audit. Given the budget constraints, and the Office of Health Transformation's vision of improving Medicaid's performance and lowering costs, ODJFS must re-evaluate the managed care program that has grown significantly over the years, now covering about 1.6 million lives annually. Mercer Health and Benefits, as the Medicaid actuaries, will assist ODJFS in improving the efficiency of the program by identifying potential waste and inefficiencies in the system. Mercer has assisted several states in bending cost trends and slowing the growth of medical costs without hurting quality of care. ODJFS is requesting to move the prompt pay money to this deliverable to accomplish this goal. The growth and expansion of the managed care program necessitate the strict monitoring and vigilance of tax payer money used for this program. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Brenda Myers in the ODJFS Office of Legal and Acquisition Services at 728-5693.