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TO: Contracted LEA's
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SUBJECT: LEA Quarterly Cost Reporting

Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) is pleased to announce that our request to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for a **modification to the quarterly cost reporting process from accrual-based accounting to cash-based accounting** was approved.

As requested by the LEAs, AHCCCS proposed to CMS to make the change to quarterly reporting in an effort to alleviate the significant difficulties experienced by the LEAs during FY2012. In October 2012, AHCCCS submitted a request to CMS to ask that they approve changes to the Implementation Guide and the Cost Reporting Guide allowing the State to return to quarterly cash reporting. AHCCCS received approval from CMS on January 27, 2013 to make the proposed change.

Thank you to all the LEAs for your patience during the CMS review period. LEAs will receive additional detailed information from PCG regarding next steps in providing the quarterly financial data for calculation of the July-September 2012 and October-December 2012 MAC claims.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Tricia Krotenberg at 602-417-4149 or Melinda Hollinshead at 602-417-4746.

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