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The purpose of this Program Memorandum (PM) is to clarify the California Department of Aging's (CDA) policy concerning Targeted Case Management (TCM) funds. This PM supersedes PM 06-12 (P).

Background

Currently, TCM funding is being used by a number of Linkages programs to enhance their ability to provide case management services. This program is administered by the Department of Health Services (DHS). DHS reimburses Local Government Agencies (LGA) approximately half the LGA's cost of providing TCM services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries who are seniors or disabled adults. This reimbursement can include TCM funding provided to an Area Agency on Aging (AAA) which qualifies as an LGA according to DHS.

In their oversight role, DHS may require documentation that demonstrates LGAs have made payments to subcontractors for contracted TCM services. DHS does not intervene in disputes between LGAs and subcontractors. In addition, TCM reimbursement to the local approved LGA is for costs already incurred (or earned) by LGA; therefore, the LGAs have full discretion on the use of TCM reimbursements. If an AAA is also an approved LGA, that AAA may be involved in local decisions as to the use of TCM funding; however, this decision making authority rests with the LGA.



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Refer to DHS TCM website (<http://www.dhs.ca.gov/tcm>) and Policy and Procedure Letter 05-005, available from the same website, for further information on TCM and certified public expenditure requirements for federal financial participation in TCM reimbursements.

CDA Policy

The California Department of Aging has no authority over the use of TCM reimbursements. The LGA entity contracted with DHS to provide TCM has full discretion as to the use of TCM reimbursements, and such TCM funds are not required to remain with the local Linkages program. However, it is recommended that LGAs use the reimbursement to maintain and expand their Linkages and other case management programs.

All TCM questions should be referred to Linda Battles, Chief, TCM Unit, DHS, at (916) 440-7651 or lbattles@dhs.ca.gov.

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