June 7, 2019

Dear Colleague,

The Rate Setting Unit (RSU) is considering amendments to the 2019-20 Reimbursable Cost Manual for Programs Receiving Funding under Article 81 and/or Article 89 of the Education Law to Educate Students with Disabilities, to be effective for 2019-20 reimbursement. The Reimbursable Cost Manual (RCM) applies to entities receiving public funds for educating students with disabilities ages 3-21 in private schools, Special Act School Districts, Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES), public school districts and municipalities under Article 81 and/or Article 89 of the Education Law.

For the 2019-20 RCM, we intend to make updates to clarify existing language for the field. These clarifying amendments would be consistent with technical assistance we currently provide to stakeholders and to state and local auditors, and therefore should not impact the rules for reimbursement. We will also consider comments from the field since input was last sought for the RCM update, as well as solicit any new comments from the field.


Please send any recommendations regarding changes to the RCM to the email address rateweb@nysed.gov with subject line “2019-20 RCM.” To allow time for the Department to compile the information, we encourage you, and members of your organization to submit recommendations to this address for our consideration on or before Friday, June 28, 2019.

Going forward, RSU will welcome comments and suggested changes to the RCM on an ongoing basis, which will be accumulated and considered for future editions of the RCM. These comments can be sent to the rateweb email account or you may directly contact your RSU accountant representative.

Sincerely,

Traci Coleman
Director