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Dear Mr. Clerk,

Pursuant to Line Item 4513-1020 of Chapter 47 of the Acts of 2017, please find enclosed the Early Intervention program report with updates from the fourth quarter of FY18. This report contains information on services by unit type for DPH, and expenditures by payer including DPH, third party insurers, and MassHealth.

The Massachusetts Early Intervention Program has been recognized as a national leader for many years for its service delivery and financing model. These reports demonstrate the breadth of service delivery and payment responsibility for infants and toddlers with special needs.

Sincerely,

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# **Early Intervention Program**

## **Service Units and Expenditures Report for Q4 of FY18**

**January 2019**



## **Legislative Mandate**

The following report is hereby issued pursuant to Line Item 4513-1020 of Chapter 47 of the Acts of 2017 as follows:

*4513-1020.. For the early intervention program; provided, that the department shall report quarterly to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the total number of units of service purchased and the total expenditures for the units of service paid by the department, the executive office of health and human services and third party payers for early intervention services for the following service categories: home visit, center-based individual, child-focused group, parent-focused group and screening and assessment[...]*

## **Summary**

This report summarizes data from Q4 of FY18 for the Early Intervention (EI) Program, as well as cumulative FY18 data. More specifically, the report identifies the total number of services delivered to clients sorted by the respective payer for each service category. Additionally, this report notes the total expenditures for each of the respective payers based on the service type.

Early Intervention (EI)			Fiscal Year 2018			Fourth Quarter	
Report on Units of Service and Expenditures						April - June	
Units of Service (number of service hours for each category)							
Payer	Home Visit	Center Visit	Child Group	EI Only Group	Parent Group	Assessment	Total
DPH	41,014.00	2,387.75	7,327.25	2,450.00	1,963.50	9,420.00	64,562.50
MassHealth	79,299.50	3,359.50	12,340.50	4,046.25	2,385.75	16,419.25	117,850.75
MCOs	80,194.75	3,608.25	13,636.75	4,499.00	2,397.75	18,958.50	123,295.00
HMO/Ins	97,872.95	5,375.50	18,612.00	5,746.00	4,436.50	21,331.75	153,374.70
<b>Total</b>	<b>298,381.20</b>	<b>14,731.00</b>	<b>51,916.50</b>	<b>16,741.25</b>	<b>11,183.50</b>	<b>66,129.50</b>	<b>459,082.95</b>
<b>Expenditures (payments made by the respective payer for each service category)</b>							
Payer	Home Visit	Center Visit	Child Group	EI Only Group	Parent Group	Assessment	Total
DPH	\$ 3,667,579.02	\$ 178,985.74	\$ 251,471.22	\$ 63,994.00	\$ 65,816.52	\$ 1,129,646.40	\$ 5,357,492.90
MassHealth	\$ 7,090,415.82	\$ 251,828.12	\$ 423,525.96	\$ 105,688.05	\$ 79,970.34	\$ 1,968,996.46	\$ 9,920,424.75
MCOs	\$ 7,171,061.91	\$ 270,474.42	\$ 468,013.26	\$ 117,513.88	\$ 80,372.58	\$ 2,273,503.32	\$ 10,380,939.37
HMO/Ins	\$ 8,750,226.27	\$ 402,947.48	\$ 638,763.84	\$ 150,085.52	\$ 148,711.48	\$ 2,558,103.46	\$ 12,648,838.05
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 26,679,283.02</b>	<b>\$ 1,104,235.76</b>	<b>\$ 1,781,774.28</b>	<b>\$ 437,281.45</b>	<b>\$ 374,870.92</b>	<b>\$ 7,930,249.64</b>	<b>\$ 38,307,695.07</b>
<b>Service Definitions</b>							
<b>Home Visit -</b>	A Home Visit is a face to face meeting at the enrolled child's home or a setting outside of the EI program's primary site.						
<b>Center Visit -</b>	A Center Individual Visit is a face to face meeting at the EI program's site with the enrolled child and child's parents.						
<b>Child Group -</b>	A Child Focused Group is a face to face meeting at a community based site of a group of enrolled children.						
<b>EI Only Group -</b>	A EI Only Child Group is a developmental group where the only participants are children and families enrolled in EI.						
<b>Parent Group -</b>	A Parent Focused Group is a face to face meeting of a group of enrolled children's parents for the purpose of support and guidance.						
<b>Assessment -</b>	An Assessment consists of procedures by a multi-disciplinary team to determine a child's eligibility for service and assess strengths and needs.						
<b>Payer Definitions</b>							
<b>DPH-</b>	Department of Public Health						
<b>MassHealth-</b>	MassHealth Plans						
<b>MCOs -</b>	MassHealth Managed Care Plans						
<b>HMO/Ins-</b>	Private Commercial Insurers						