



Healthcare Integrated General Ledger Accounting System Highlights

April 2014

Brought to you by the Financial Management Systems Group (FMSG) under the Office of Financial Management (OFM)

Celebrating Accomplishments

HIGLAS recouped \$235.4 million cumulative of Federal Tax debts and \$114.8M of Federal Non-Tax debts from Medicare Provider Payments through March 7th under the Treasury Federal Payment Levy Program (FPLP).

Since May 2005 all HIGLAS workloads (distinction in system per jurisdiction) combined (excluding Converted and Third Party Receivables) HIGLAS has produced \$63.8 billion in Accounts Receivable / Accounts Payable Netted Funds.

As of February 2014, HIGLAS processed approximately \$3.99 billion of federal grants to the Children's Health Insurance Program and \$167.73 billion of federal grants to States for Medicaid.

Did You Know?

Since the introduction of HIGLAS in 2005, there have been 15 HIGLAS organizations merges, 44 workload transitions and 27 production renames.

Federal News

As of the last week of March, seven million people enrolled in plans under the Affordable Care Act (ACA). That number is expected to continue to grow as applications are being processed for those who were still in line prior to the enrollment deadline. CMS' Exchange Operations Center monitors the HealthCare.gov systems to ensure a smoother consumer experience. Even with the largest sustained period of volume,

the site continues to perform well. Individuals who did not meet the March 31st enrollment deadline were still eligible to enroll online until April 15th. Federal officials are processing paper applications for those who were "in line" by March 31st and will allow them to select plans through April 30th.

The new healthcare law carries a financial penalty for people who remain uninsured unless they fall in

an exempt category. Plans for the next open-enrollment period, which begins November 15th and ends February 15th next year, are underway.

For the latest CMS information, visit the Newsroom center at: <http://www.cms.gov/Newsroom/MediaReleaseDatabase/Press-releases/2014-Press-releases-items/2014-03-30.html>

WebCenter Portal Deployment Strategy

In support of CMS' decision to use WebCenter as a document repository for HIGLAS, the Application and Integration Support (AIS) contractor has developed a strategy to launch this new tool.

Several new WebCenter portals were implemented in March and April, including Project Management Office (PMO), Body of Knowledge, and Financial Reconciliation (FinRecon).

Utilizing WebCenter allows

various groups in OFM to organize files, efficiently access information, and streamline data, such as the Data Fix Record (DFR) and Quarterly Release Enhancements.

Technology News

The Treasury Report on Receivables (TROR) was revised under HCR 1273 (FY 2014 Revision of TROR) and was implemented in Production in March 2014. The TROR serves as a management report that provides data on receivables owed to the Federal Government. The FMSG-managed

Month-End Analytics Tool was updated to accommodate the new TROR report changes. The Month End Analytics Tool provides the ability to download the new TROR report into an excel format so that users can perform analysis on the data (e.g. Trending).



**"We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit."
~Aristotle**

Have an idea for an article? Want to share feedback on a story? Please contact Sophia Shahverdian at Sophia.Shahverdian@cms.hhs.gov Or Leslie Engel at Leslie.Engel@cms.hhs.gov