

## Report on Conferences Sponsored by CMS for Fiscal Year 2020

### Center for Program Integrity

#### **Medicaid Integrity Institute (MII) Course Calendar**

**Dates:** 10/01/2019 – 03/20/2020

**Venue, City, State or Country:** National Advocacy Center (NAC), Columbia, SC

**How the Conference Advanced the Mission of the Agency:** The Medicaid Integrity Institute (MII) offers a comprehensive program of study addressing aspects of Medicaid program integrity to include fraud investigation, data mining and analysis, managed care oversight, provider screening and enrollment, and case development. To accomplish the requirements of section 1936 of the Act, CMS executed an interagency agreement with the Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Legal Education (OLE) to house the MII at the National Advocacy Center, a federally owned training center located in Columbia, SC. The programs offered by the Office of Legal Education at the National Advocacy Center are large events that provide training and information sharing in accordance with OMB guidance. Total cost of 8 events is \$1,120,959. The totals shown reflect 8 training events held in FY 2020 prior to COVID-19 restrictions. 16 events were cancelled due to COVID-19.

**Total Estimated Cost:** \$140,120\* (avg. per event)

**Total Attendees:** 52 (avg. per event)

**Total Feds on Travel:** 1 (avg. per event)

**Total Non-Feds on Travel:** 51 (avg. per event)

\*Total cost of 8 events is \$1,120,959. The total cost per event is higher than previous years, due to the contractor planning costs being distributed among 8 events instead of the normal 23-24 events. All other conferences expenses are significantly lower for FY2020.

### Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation

#### **Learning and Action Network (LAN) Summit**

**Dates:** 10/24/2019

**Venue, City, State or Country:** Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill, Washington, DC

**How the Conference Advanced the Mission of the Agency:** The LAN summit advanced and accelerated the adoption of new alternative payment models. The LAN Summit provided a platform for collaboration among payers/purchasers, including CMS staff, providers, consumers, and other stakeholders to set goals, monitor progress, and determine actions that would increase participation in alternative payment models that lower cost and achieve better outcomes.

**Total Estimated Cost:** \$363,742

**Total Attendees:** 847 (641 in-person/206 virtual)

**Total Feds on Travel:** 0

**Total Non-Feds on Travel:** 3

### Center for Medicare

#### **CMS Security Control Oversight and Update Training (CSCOUT)**

**Dates:** 02/04/2020 - 02/06/2020

**Venue, City, State or Country:** Lexington Hotel & Conference Center, Jacksonville, Florida

**How the Conference Advanced the Mission of the Agency:** CMS is responsible for processing billions of Medicare claims that contain personal information for millions of Medicare

beneficiaries. Protecting the confidentiality, integrity, and availability (CIA) of the information is critical to the success of the program. The attendees at these events have the responsibility to implement, operate, and evaluate the controls that ensure CIA of the information. Attendance at these events was critical in meeting the agency's mission and the Department's system security and privacy initiatives. The meeting also afforded the opportunity for additional sessions between CMS and contractors to facilitate the efficient and effective oversight and closure of corrective action plans submitted because of audit findings.

**Total Estimated Cost:** \$169,393

**Total Attendees:** 189

**Total Feds on Travel:** 14

**Total Non-Feds on Travel:** 123

## Center for Clinical Standards & Quality

### 2020 Quality Conference

**Dates:** 02/25/2020 - 02/27/2020

**Venue, City, State or Country:** Baltimore Hilton, Baltimore, MD

**How the Conference Advanced the Mission of the Agency:** This conference represents the deepest and widest gathering of health care quality leaders assembled by the Federal government. With a high emphasis on learning and spreading of effective ideas for improving health care quality for Medicare, and now Medicaid through the second year of joint sponsorship with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the conference brought together high-level policy makers, providers, contractors and grantees, passionate about quality of care, enabling a forum to share and spread improvement techniques that reduced harm and improved delivery of care methods.

**Total Estimated Cost:** \$2,117,448

**Total Attendees:** 3,300

**Total Feds on Travel:** 600

**Total Non-Feds on Travel:** 1,023