

**Status of Audit Resolution**

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**Department of Health (DOH)**

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**Audit Report:** 2013 F

**Finding Number:** 012

**Finding:** The Department of Health does not have sufficient internal controls to ensure it meets federal level of effort requirements for the Public Health Emergency Preparedness and National Bioterrorism Hospital Preparedness programs.

**Resolution:** The Department consulted with federal grantors on this matter to get a clear understanding of how level of effort should be determined. After this consultation, the Department identified the proper amount for level of effort for the 2013-2014 grant budget year and submitted that to federal grantors.

A level of effort tracking system was developed and put into place in July 2013, which identifies level of effort funding sources and documents expenditures during the course of the grant budget year.

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**Audit Report:** 2013 F

**Finding Number:** 013

**Finding:** The Department of Health does not have sufficient internal controls over, and did not comply with, the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act reporting requirements for the Public Health Emergency Preparedness and National Bioterrorism Hospital Preparedness Programs.

**Resolution:** The Department collected the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) information and attempted to report this information; however, the grant award was not added to the FFATA Subaward Reporting System (FSRS) by the grantor. The Department of Health does not have access to add missing awards.

Per the auditor's recommendations, the Department revised its procedures and will email the federal grantor when awards reportable under the FFATA are not available to report on in the FSRS. This change was effective January 1, 2014.

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**Finding Number:** 019

**Finding:** The Department of Health did not survey all hospitals and home health agencies in accordance with the frequency stipulated by state and federal laws, which could increase the risk of Medicaid clients receiving substandard care.

**Resolution:** In an effort to meet federal requirements, the Department implemented a new process for performing state hospital and home health surveys and completed staff training on this process. This will help shorten the time and reduce the number of staff needed to complete the surveys.

Under the new process with fully trained staff, the Department anticipates that all surveys will be performed as required.

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