# Financial Reporting Guide Agreed Upon Procedures (AUPs) CY 2023 Submission Periods

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# **Background**

Milliman, Inc. (Milliman) has been contracted by the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) to provide actuarial and consulting services related to the development of capitation rates for the Physical Health (PH) and Specialized Behavioral Health (SBH) programs within the Healthy Louisiana managed care program. To perform these services, managed care organizations (MCOs) will complete the *Financial Reporting Guide Template (FRG Template)* with financial and encounter data. MCOs are required to submit the completed *FRG Template* to Milliman on a quarterly basis for review along with a signed attestation. The information reported through this process is expected to be consistent with other financial reporting from the MCO, and should represent a current, complete, and accurate disclosure of information.

Additionally, LDH requested Milliman to outline the agreed upon procedures (AUPs) for the *FRG Template*. This report provides the minimum procedures an independent accountant should perform to review the information reported by the MCOs on an annual basis unless directed by LDH.

# **General Instructions**

The FRG Template AUPs between the MCOs and their independent accountant are required to be performed in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). The AUPs described in this report are effective as of and for the calendar year (or, if required, a period less than 12 months) ending December 31 (Review Date) of the applicable Reporting Year. The Reporting Year is defined as the most recently submitted reporting period quarter four (Q4) FRG Template submission. For example, the Review Date and Reporting Year for CY 2023 will be December 31, 2023, and the AUP procedures should be performed on incurred periods from January 2023 through December 2023 reported on the FRG Template due on February 29, 2024. The independent accountant's report and other submitted documents shall be submitted to LDH and Milliman by June 30<sup>th</sup> of the following calendar year (June 30, 2024, for CY 2023 Reporting Period 4 FRG Template submission). The following documents should be included in the report provided by the independent accountant:

- AUP report
- Financial management letter if available through an independent audit (not related to these AUPs) of the MCO's financial statements
- Report on internal controls if available through an independent audit (not related to these AUPs) of the MCO's financial statements

The independent accountant's report should be submitted as an embedded file in the [Annual Required Documents] tab of the annual *FRG Template* submission. All *AUP* findings, adjusting entries, and MCO comments, responses, or explanations, should be outlined within the [Notes] tab of the annual *FRG Template* submission.

The *AUP* work papers should be made available to LDH upon request. Within each section below, minimum procedures have been established for the specific *FRG Template* sections. Procedure steps should be performed for the calendar year ending December 31 of the respective *Reporting Year*. Additional procedures may be added and performed as agreed upon by the MCO and the independent accountant without LDH approval. However, any modifications to or removal of any procedures outlined in this document requires prior approval from LDH.

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# **AUP Requirements**

# **BALANCE SHEET**

Exhibit 1 describes the AUP requirements for the [Balance Sheet] tab. Unless directed otherwise, all AUPs for this section are to be performed on the data reported as of the Review Date of the applicable Reporting Year.

NO.	DESCRIPTION	STEP
1.1	Trace and agree upon the amount reported as Cash Balances.	Obtain a copy of the monthly bank statements and bank reconciliations as of the <i>Review Date</i> and for one other quarter end month reported on the <i>FRG Template</i> . Trace and agree the amount of "Cash and Cash Equivalents" reported on the [Balance Sheet] tab as available for use in the <i>Reporting Year</i> to the two bank reconciliations obtained. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
1.2	Trace and agree upon the amount reported as Cash Balances.	Trace and agree the balance per bank from the reconciliation to the corresponding ending balance of the bank statement. Trace and agree the balance per books from the reconciliation to the corresponding amount in the MCO's trial balance. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
1.3	Trace and agree upon the amount recorded as the Medicaid Capitation Receivable, capitation payments earned, but not yet received from LDH for the Medicaid line of business.	In conjunction with Reference No. 2.1 below, identify capitation revenue not paid as of the <i>Review Date</i> and reconcile to source documents if discrepancies larger than \$100,000 are identified. Confirm receivables have been paid as of the date of the independent accountant's report. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies or unpaid balances greater than \$100,000.
1.4	Trace and agree upon the amount recorded as Claims Payable for the Medicaid line of business.	Obtain claims payable aging as of <i>Review Date</i> . Agree the claims payable aging report ties to the general ledger. Provide the MCO's explanations for payables with credit balances that are \$100,000 or greater. Additionally, provide the MCO's explanations for payable claims greater than 90 days old that are \$100,000 or greater. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.

#### **EXPOSURES**

Exhibit 2 describes the requirements for the [Exposures] tab. Unless directed otherwise, all *AUPs* for this section are to be performed on the data reported as of the *Review Date* of the applicable *Reporting Year*.

REFERENCE NO.	DESCRIPTION	STEP
2.1	Trace and agree upon the accrued member months reported in the "Paid" and "Accrued" column of the [Exposures] tab.	In conjunction with Reference No. 1.3 above, identify the members included in the "Accrued" column of the [Exposures] tab and reconcile to MCO enrollment sources. Select two months with the largest number of accrued member months. If the MCO did not report any accrued members, select the month between January and June with the largest total membership and the month between July to December with the largest total membership. Then select a sample of ten (10) different members out of each selected month. Confirm each member's eligibility per the MCOs 834 enrollment files (834 files) and 820 payment files (820 files) as of the <i>Review Date</i> . Confirm the paid member months reconcile to the 820 files and accrued member months reconcile to the 834 files for the 12-month period preceding the <i>Review Date</i> . Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
2.2	Trace subsequent payments to "Accrued" column of the [Exposures] tab.	Obtain all subsequent 820 files available through the AUP report date and summarize by incurred month. Compare the count of subsequent payments summarized by incurred month to the count of accrued member months reported on the [Exposures] tab by incurred month as of the <i>Review Date</i> . If no member months are reported as accrued during the <i>Reporting Year</i> , inspect all subsequent summarized 820 files for any payments made for members in the 12-months preceding the <i>Review Date</i> of the applicable <i>Reporting Year</i> . Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
2.3	Trace and agree upon reported Member Months.	Trace and agree the member totals of the two months selected in Reference No. 2.1 to the MCO's 834 files, 820 files, or other sources as necessary to member month totals for each rate cell, region, and incurred month reported on the [Exposures] tab for the selected months. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.

#### **BENEFIT EXPENSE**

Exhibit 3 describes the requirements for the [Benefit Expense] tab. Unless directed otherwise, all *AUPs* for this section are to be performed on the data reported in the as of the *Review Date* of the applicable *Reporting Year*.

NO.	DESCRIPTION	STEP
3.1	Trace and agree upon the amounts reported on the [Benefit Expense] tab.	Obtain a detailed encounterable claim report for the two months selected in Reference No. 2.1 above which includes both direct and subcapitated paid claims. Select five (5) claims with the largest dollar amount paid from each month and randomly select ten (10) additional claims not already selected from each of the two largest (based on the greatest dollar amount) service categories (i.e., Inpatient Hospital, Outpatient Hospital, Professional, Retail Pharmacy, SBH, Ancillary, and LTSS) from each month. For each claim selected, agree the Population, Rate Cell, Region, Incurred Month, Service Category and Service Category detail on the claim matches to the [Benefit Expense] tab supporting detail. Reference the FRG Methodology, and Service Category Classification Manual which describe how a claim should be categorized. Additionally, read the "Benefit Expense" section of the FRG Methodology document and confirm that the MCO reported the claim amount in the appropriate column on the [Benefit Expense] tab (i.e., Direct, Subcapitated, Ineligible). Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
3.2	Trace and agree upon the amounts reported on the [Benefit Expense] tab.	Compare and confirm the total of the encounterable detailed claim reports obtained in Reference No. 3.1 matches the total encounterable benefit expenses reported on the [Benefit Expense] tab for the Incurred Month, Service Category, and Service Category Detail selected above. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies or reconciliation.

#### **NONENCOUNTERABLE**

Exhibit 4 describes the requirements for the [NonEncounterable] tab. Unless directed otherwise, all *AUPs* for this section are to be performed on the data reported as of the *Review Date* of the applicable *Reporting Year*.

# **EXHIBIT 4: NONENCOUNTERABLE AUP REQUIREMENTS**

NO.	DESCRIPTION	STEP
4.1	Trace and agree upon the amounts reported on the [NonEncounterable] tab.	Obtain a detailed listing of non-encounterable claim payments for the months selected in Reference No. 2.1 using the supporting document the MCO used to complete the [NonEncounterable] tab. For the months reviewed, select the five (5) payments with the largest dollar amount paid from each month and randomly select ten (10) additional payments not already selected from each of the two largest (based on the greatest dollar amount) service categories (i.e., Inpatient Hospital, Outpatient Hospital, Professional, Retail Pharmacy, SBH, Ancillary, and LTSS) from each month. For each payment selected, confirm the MCO reported Population, Rate Cell, Region, Incurred Month, and Service Category on the [NonEncounterable] tab to the detailed supporting documentation. If the payment selected was allocated to the MCO reported Population, Rate Cell, Region, Incurred Month, or Service Category agreed above, use the MCOs allocation method to recalculate the amounts reported. Compare the results to the amounts reported by the MCO. Additionally, agree the classification of the MCO reported payments from the supporting documentation to the column the MCO reported the expenditure in the <i>FRG Template</i> . Definitions of non-encounterable claims can be found in the <i>FRG Methodology</i> document. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
4.2	Trace and agree upon the amounts reported in the "Member Value-Added Services" column on the [NonEncounterable] tab.	In conjunction with Reference No. 4.1, obtain a list of services covered under the state plan and confirm the amounts reported in the "Member Value-Added Services" column are services or expenditures not included in the obtained listing of state plan covered services. If there are no "Member Value-Added Services" reported in the sample months previously selected, select a month with the largest amount of "Member Value-Added Services" reported and confirm the services or expenditures are not reported in the obtained listing. The FRG Methodology document discusses non-state plan services on page 11 and 13. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
4.3	Review MCO allocation methodology	Obtain a description of the MCO's allocation methodology for each type of services or expenditures reported on the [NonEncounterable] tab. Identify the largest allocated expenditure and recalculate the allocation based on the MCO's allocation methodology. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.

#### **DIRECTED AND FMP PAYMENTS**

reported on the [Directed and FMP

Pmts] tab for Expense.

Exhibit 5 describes the requirements for the [Directed and FMP Pmts] tab. Unless directed otherwise, all *AUPs* for this section are to be performed on the data reported as of the *Review Date* of the applicable *Reporting Year*.

REFERENCE NO.	ECTED AND FMP PAYMENTS AUP RE DESCRIPTION	STEP
5.1	Trace and agree upon the amounts reported on the [Directed and FMP Pmts] tab for Revenue.	Obtain a detailed receipt report for the months selected in Reference No. 2.1 above. From the report obtained, select fifteen (15) receipts for each month and agree the Incurred Month and Service Category from the supporting details report to the incurred month and service category on the [Directed and FMP Pmts] tab. Additionally, confirm the MCO reported the amount in the appropriate column based on the MCO's supporting documentation. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
5.2	Trace and agree upon the amounts	Obtain a detailed provider payment report for the months selected in Reference No. 2.1 above.

From the report obtained, select fifteen (15) payments for each month and agree the Incurred

Month and Service Category from the supporting details report to the Incurred Month and Service Category on the [Directed and FMP Pmts] tab to the supporting detail. Additionally, confirm the MCO reported the amount in the appropriate column based on the MCO's supporting documentation. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.

#### **RESERVES**

Exhibit 6 describes the requirements for the [Reserves] tab. Unless directed otherwise, all AUPs for this section are to be performed on the data reported as of the *Review Date* of the applicable *Reporting Year*.

#### **EXHIBIT 6: RESERVES AUP REQUIREMENTS** REFERENCE DESCRIPTION STEP NO. Obtain the MCO's calculation of IBNR for the Review Date. Also, obtain the MCO's policy, 6.1 Obtain documentation related to the MCO's calculation of Incurred but not procedures, and methodologies for estimating IBNR, including the Actuarial Memorandum Reported (IBNR) amounts on the and/or Statement of Actuarial Opinion, as of the Review Date. Provide the MCO's summary of [Reserves] tab. the IBNR calculation methodology. Agree IBNR methodologies are 6.2 Obtain the MCO's allocation methodology for IBNR. Recalculate the allocation of IBNR to each applied consistently on the Population, Region, Incurred Month, and Service Category for the month with the largest [Reserves] tab. reported reserves amount as of the Review Date. Confirm the MCO applied the allocation consistent with the documentation obtained in Reference No. 6.1. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies 6.3 Obtain subsequent claim payment Obtain subsequent claims payment reports for all months following the Review Date through the AUP report date. Summarize subsequent claim payments by incurred month. For the two reports. months selected in Reference No. 2.1, compare the reported IBNR from these two months to the summarized subsequent claims payments. Calculate and report the difference between the reported IBNR and the summarized subsequent payments. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies 6.4 Trace and agree non-claim reserves Obtain a summary of non-claim reserves reported on the [Reserves] tab for the 12-month reported on the [Reserves] tab. period preceding the Review Date. Trace and agree the total amounts reported in the "Pending Provider Cost Settlements," "Pending Value Based Payments," and "Other Pending Lump Sum Settlements" columns of the [Reserves] tab to the general ledger. Select the two largest settlements or payments and confirm that the amounts reported are non-encounterable. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies. 6.5 Obtain subsequent payments of non-Obtain subsequent receipts or payments related to "Pending Provider Cost Settlements," claim reserves reported on the "Pending Value Based Payments," and "Other Pending Lump Sum Settlements" columns [Reserves] tab. through the AUP report date. Summarize subsequent payments by incurred month. For the two months selected in Reference No. 2.1, compare the reported reserves from the two selected months to the summarized subsequent payments. Calculate and report the difference between the reported non-claims reservices and the subsequent receipts or payments. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.

#### **NSPS**

Exhibit 7 describes the requirements for the [NSPS] tab. Unless directed otherwise, all AUPs for this section are to be performed on the data reported as of the *Review Date* of the applicable *Reporting Year*.

NO.	DESCRIPTION	STEP
7.1	Obtain and describe NSPS services reported on the [NSPS] tab.	Obtain a summary report of non-state plan services (NSPS) payments incurred by members for the 12-month period preceding the <i>Review Date</i> . Provide the MCO's description of the services provided.
7.2	Trace and agree upon amounts reported on the [NSPS] tab.	From the summary report obtained in Reference No. 7.1, agree the amounts to the expenditures reported on the [NSPS] tab by Population, Rate Cell, Region, Incurred Month, and NSPS Service Category. Additionally, confirm the total expenditures reported on the [NSPS] tab in each column agree to the summary reports obtained. Provide MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
7.3	Confirm amounts reported on the [NSPS] tab agree to the amounts on the [Benefit Expense], [NonEncounterable], and [Non Benefit Expense] tabs.	Trace the amounts reported on the summary report obtained in Reference No. 7.1 to the [Benefit Expense] tab (in the Encounterable Value Added Services Service Category Detail lines), [NonEncounterable] tab (in the "Member Value Added Services" column), or on the [Non Benefit Expense] tab in the "Administrative Costs" or "Healthcare Quality Improvement" categories. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
7.4	Recalculate allocation amounts reported on the [NSPS] tab based on MCO's methodology.	Obtain a description of the MCO's methodology for allocating NSPS to the Population, Rate Cell, Region, Incurred Month, and Service Category, if applicable. For the month with the largest expenditures in the Reporting Year, recalculate the expenditure allocation and compare the results to the MCO's reported amounts. Confirm the MCO's allocation methodology is consistent with the methodology provided to recalculate the expenditure. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.

# **RECOVERIES**

Exhibit 8 describes the requirements for the [Recoveries] tab. Unless directed otherwise, all AUPs for this section are to be performed on data reported as of the *Review Date* of the applicable *Reporting Year*.

NO.	DESCRIPTION	STEP
8.1	Obtain supporting documentation for amounts reported on the [Recoveries] tab.	Obtain a summary of the recoveries reported on the [Recoveries] tab for the same two months selected in Reference No. 2.1. Inquire if the recoveries reported are gross of the MCO encounter submissions as described in the <i>FRG Methodology</i> document. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
8.2	Trace and agree upon amounts reported on the [Recoveries] tab to supporting documentation.	From the summary report obtained in Reference No. 8.1, agree the total amounts to the recoveries reported on the [Recoveries] tab by Population, Rate Cell, Region, Incurred Month, and Service Category. Confirm the total amounts reported in each column on the [Recoveries] tab agree to the amounts in the summary report for each column. Additionally, select 10 recoveries from each month and confirm that the MCO reported the recoveries net of any administrative fees required to collect the recovery. Provide MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
8.3	Recalculate allocation amounts reported on the [Recoveries] tab.	Obtain a description of the MCO's methodology for allocating recoveries to Population, Rate Cell, Region, Incurred Month, and Service Category, if applicable. Recalculate the recovery allocation and confirm MCO applied the allocation methodology consistently with the methodology provided. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
8.4	Obtain reinsurance agreements.	Obtain a copy of the MCOs third-party reinsurance agreement. Calculate the expected amount of reinsurance premiums to be paid for the 12-month period preceding the <i>Review Date</i> . Compare calculation to the amount reported on the [Recoveries] tab. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
8.5	Trace and agree upon reinsurance recoveries reported on the [Recoveries] tab.	For Reinsurance Recoveries, select the two largest individual cases (an individual case is defined as a member that met the threshold of the reinsurance agreement) resulting in a reinsurance recovery in the incurred period of the 12-months preceding the <i>Review Date</i> .

REFERENCE NO.	DESCRIPTION	STEP
8.6	Trace and agree upon reinsurance recoveries reported on the [Recoveries] tab.	For the sample selected in Reference No. 8.5, review the individual member's claim payment history, recalculate, and agree the amount reported as reinsurance recovery is consistent with the terms of the MCO's reinsurance agreement and the individual member's paid claims. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.

# **REVENUE**

Exhibit 9 describes the requirements for the [Revenue] tab. Unless directed otherwise, all AUPs for this section are to be performed on data reported as of the *Review Date* of the applicable *Reporting Year*.

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NO.	DESCRIPTION	STEP
9.1	Obtain supporting documentation for amounts reported on the [Revenue] tab.	Obtain a summary of the revenue reported on the [Revenue] tab for the two months selected in Reference No. 2.1 above. Select a random sample of fifteen (15) members from each month. Confirm the revenue for each member is reported in the appropriate Population, Rate Cell, Region, Incurred Month, and Received or Accrued columns as described in the <i>FRG Methodology</i> document. Obtain management representation that the revenue reported does not include state directed payments, FMP revenue, or MCIP revenue. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
9.2	Obtain supporting documentation for withhold amounts reported on the [Revenue] tab.	Obtain a summary report of earned withhold revenue for the reporting period. Confirm the MCO reported the earned withhold in the incurred year the withhold was taken, rather than in the year the withhold was returned. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
9.3	Obtain supporting documentation for withhold amounts reported on the [Revenue] tab.	Obtain a description of the MCOs methodology for accruing earned withhold amounts before the actual earned amount is known. Recalculate expected withhold earned using the MCOs methodology and confirm the total accrual is calculated consistently with the methodology. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
9.4	Recalculate withhold amounts reported on the [Revenue] tab.	Obtain a description of the MCOs allocation methodology for the earned withhold payments and accruals. For the two months selected in Reference 2.1 above, recalculate the allocation of the earned withhold receipts and accruals and confirm the amounts reported are consistent with the allocation methodology provided. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
9.5	Recalculate High-Cost Drug Risk Pool and Hep-C Risk Corridor amounts reported on the [Revenue] tab.	Obtain documentation and descriptions of the MCOs reported High-Cost Drug Risk Pool and Hep-C Risk Corridor receivables or receipts. Confirm the MCO reported amounts for these risk mitigation transfers in the Population, Rate Cell, Region, and Incurred Month agree to the supporting documentation provided. For the two months selected in Reference 2.1 above, recalculate the transfers related to these mechanisms and confirm if it is consistent with the MCO's methodology provided. Also, recalculate the MCOs allocations for the same two months and confirm the allocations are consistent with the MCO's methodology provided. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
9.6	Trace and agree upon Premium Tax amounts reported on the [Revenue] tab.	Obtain documentation related to the Premium Tax reported on the [Revenue] tab. Confirm the premium tax is only reported in the "Premium Tax" columns. Recalculate expected premium tax receipts and receivables and agree to the amounts reported in the accrued and receivable "Premium Tax" columns. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
9.7	Obtain supporting documentation for amounts reported on the [Revenue] tab.	Obtain a description and supporting documentation for any revenue reported in the received and accrued "Other" columns and confirm supporting documentation agrees to the amounts reported. Provide the MCOs documentation regarding the reason the revenue is reported in these columns. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.

#### **SUBCON SUMMARY & SUBCON DATA**

Exhibit 10 describes the requirements for the [Subcon Summary] and [Subcon Data] tabs. Unless directed otherwise, all AUPs for this section are to be performed on data reported as of the *Review Date* of the applicable *Reporting Year*.

REFERENCE NO.	DESCRIPTION	STEP	
10.1	Obtain a listing of the MCO's delegated services subcontracted vendors, including subcapitated subcontractors.	Review the listing of MCO's delegated services subcontractors and confirm they are all reported on the [Subcon Summary] tab. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.	
10.2	Trace to supporting documentation and agree if the vendor is subcapitated.	Obtain and read the contracts for each delegated vendor. For each vendor reported on the [Subcon Summary] tab, verify the subcontractor's contractual relationship reported in the 'Subcapitated Contractor (Y/N)" column is reported as "Y" if the vendor has a full risk subcapitated arrangement and "N" if not. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies	
10.3	Trace to supporting documentation and agree the vendor type.		
10.4	Trace to supporting documentation and agree the related party status.  Using the contracts obtained in Reference No. 10.2, confirm the flag reported for the "R Party ¹(Y/N)" column in the [Subcon Summary] tab agrees to the supporting documentation obtain and provide a list of transactions between the MCO, and any related party report within the [Subcon Summary] tab. The list of transactions must include the name of the party, relationship to the MCO, description of the transaction (a series of transactions for same purpose can be listed as one transaction), total dollar amount reported within the [Subcon Summary] tab and payment/contract terms. Provide the MCO's explanation for discrepancies.		
10.5	Trace supporting documentation and agree on categorization of administrative and healthcare quality improvement expenses.  For the two months selected in Reference 2.1, obtain and review the invoices or other p files for each vendor. If any administrative expenses or healthcare quality improvement expenses are identified, confirm the data reported in the "Administrative Costs" and "Healthcare Quality Improvement" columns agree with the payments made and are reported in the "Administrative Costs" and the incurred period (not the paid period). Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrep		
10.6	Trace supporting documentation and agree on categorization of administrative and healthcare quality improvement expenses.	Obtain and review the allocation methodology used by the MCO to allocate these expenses to Population, Rate Cell, Region, and Incurred Month. For the two months selected in Reference 2.1, confirm the amounts allocated are consistent with the methodology provided. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.	
10.7	Trace supporting documentation and agree on categorization of subcapitated benefit expense.	For the two months selected in Reference 2.1, obtain the invoices or other payment files for each subcapitated vendor. Trace and agree the expenses in the supporting documentation to the category and incurred period (not the paid period) for the "Total Subcapitated Proxy Paid,"	

"Subcon Lump Sum Provider Settlements," and "Proxy Paid Reserves" columns on the

From the list of transactions in Reference No. 10.4, select the related party vendor with the

vendor agrees with the payment/contract terms of the agreement between the MCO and

related party and confirm the expenditures reported on the [Subcon Summary] tab are consistently reported. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.

largest dollar amount reported Confirm the total dollar amount of transactions with the selected

[Subcon Data] tab. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.

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Identify, trace, and agree the amount and payment methodology for

Related Party Transactions reported

within the [Subcon Summary] tab.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The term Related Party refers to any entity(ies) that is(are) associated with the MCO by any form of common, privately held ownership, control, or investment.

### **NON-BENEFIT EXPENSE**

Exhibit 11 describes the requirements for the [Non Benefit Expense] tab. Unless directed otherwise, all AUPs for this section are to be performed on data reported as of the *Review Date* of the applicable *Reporting Year*.

REFERENCE NO.	DESCRIPTION	STEP
11.1	Obtain supporting documentation for the amounts reported as Non-Benefit Expense.	Read the FRG Methodology for guidance on non-benefit expense by administrative category and source. Provide the MCO's documentation related to classifying expenses by Administrative Category.
11.2	Obtain HCQI supporting documentation.	Read the definition for HCQI in the FRG Methodology document. Obtain a listing of all HCQI transactions for the two months selected in Reference 2.1. Select five (5) HCQI transactions for each month and provide the MCO's documentation determining that the transaction meets the definition for HCQI expenditures.
11.3	Trace and agree upon the amounts reported as Non-Benefit Expense.	Obtain and inspect the MCO's summarized general ledger and agree to the total for each non- benefit expense categories ("Administrative Costs" and "Healthcare Quality Improvement," etc.). Provide reconciliation for any differences and the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
11.4	Trace and agree upon the amounts reported as Non-Benefit Expense.	Obtain the MCO's non-benefit expense allocation methodologies. Using the information obtained in Reference No. 11.3, recalculate the MCOs allocation and compare the results to the amounts reported on the [Non Benefit Expense] tab. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
11.5	Trace and agree upon the amounts reported as Non-Benefit Expense.	Using the documentation provided in 11.3, trace and agree the total "Fraud Recovery Activities," "Premium Tax," and "Other Taxes, Fees, and Assessments" for the 12-month period preceding the <i>Review Date</i> . Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
11.6	Trace and agree upon the amounts reported as Non-Benefit Expense.	Obtain representation from the MCO's management for the following items:
		"Other Taxes, Fees, and Assessments" category on the [Non Benefit Expense] tab includes all State, Federal and Local Income Taxes.
		No taxes are not reported as "Administrative Costs" on the [Non Benefit Expense] tab.
		The income taxes associated with investment income and expenses are not reported in the "Other Taxes, Fees, and Assessments" category on the [Non Benefit Expense] tab.
		No penalties associated with contractual non-compliance are reported on the [Non Benefit Expense] tab. as "Other Taxes, Fees, and Assessments."
		Confirm managements representation with the following procedures:
		<ul> <li>Select from the general ledger, one tax transaction for each State, Federal, and Local income tax and trace the amount to the "Other Taxes, Fees, and Assessment" on the [Non Benefit Expense] tab.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Select from the general ledger, one investment income transaction and one investment expense transaction and confirm the amounts are not reported on the [Non Benefit Expense] tab.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Obtain a list of penalty transactions associated with contractual or regulatory non- compliance and confirm the largest transaction is not included on the [Non Benefit Expense] tab.</li> </ul>
		Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.
11.7	Trace and agree upon the amounts reported as Non-Benefit Expense.	Obtain the premium tax rate and representation from the MCO's management that "Premium Tax – Limited Rate Capitation" includes all premium tax paid and accrued for related to capitation payments reported on the [Revenue] tab and these taxes are not reported as "Administrative Costs." Recalculate expected premium tax and compare to the MCO's reported

amounts. Provide the MCO's explanation for any discrepancies.

# **Limitations and Qualifications**

The Financial Reporting Guide (FRG) AUP methodology is intended to be used by LDH and the participating MCOs and their independent accountant to perform procedures to validate the information collected within the *FRG Template* on an annual basis. This information may not be appropriate for other purposes. We designed the FRG AUP methodology to outline the minimum procedures required by the MCO's independent accountant. The MCOs are accountable for reporting their financial results in compliance with the *FRG Template methodology*, maintaining appropriate documentation supporting their financial data submission, and submitting the AUP report, financial management letter, and report on internal controls to LDH, if applicable.

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