

# Hot Topics

A Panel Presentation

# EIS

- ▶ Use caution if using Federal funds for this as there are many gray areas. We encourage you to contact the funds management section at DESE to inquire about spending Part B funds on EIS before committing funds.

# Proportionate Share

- ▶ DESE will release the funds carried over in February. These can then be spent on SPED. Spend ARRA down first. If there is carry over, DESE will assume when you are spending these funds that it is ARRA you are spending first.

# Examples of how to spend

- ▶ Purchase test kits to be utilized by school staff (not to give to the private school) (is anyone qualified to administer these tests?),
- ▶ Transportation to/from private school to access services (what if you run out of money?)
- ▶ Pay for PD or a trainer
- ▶ Pay for a speech/language path to provide SP/L services after hours 2–3 days a week at a local library. **Reminder –do not include Child Find activities in your spending.**

# ECSE

- ▶ Not sure what will happen, it is up to legislators. If you are concerned, please contact your legislators. Give them real case examples of why we need to keep ECSE services. There is no real data supporting student achievement despite all the money being put into ECSE. DESE is hearing there could be non-mandatory rates of reimbursement per child (\$6,000, \$8,000, \$12,000). We know we are safe for 10-11.

# PPF

- ▶ Will be prorated, more districts applying, remember we will NOT have to back out ARRA funds

# HNF

- ▶ Mandated to pay 100% but ARRA funds will be calculated in there inflating the ADA

# Administrative and Direct claiming

- ▶ In the future if you do one, you may be required to do both (not definite yet – it is an option Medicaid is pursuing)

# CMIA

- ▶ Have to spend within 3 days of receipt of funds
- ▶ DESE will be asking for refund plus interest starting the 10–11 school year. The Feds are now asking for reimbursement plus interest
- ▶ DESE will pursue reimbursement for years 09–10 (they do not yet know how to do this)

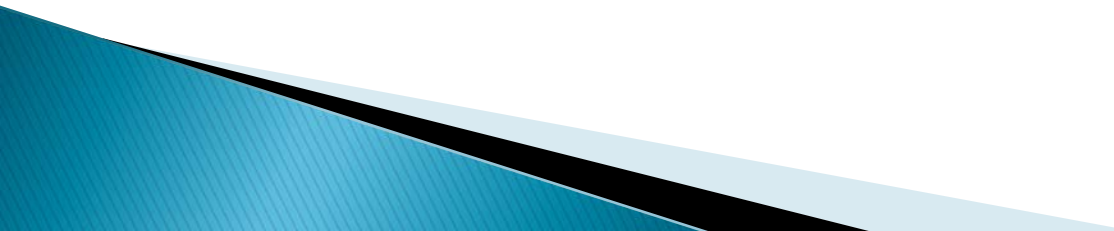
# Capital Outlay

If fair market value of the equipment is over \$1000 you will need to talk to DESE before disposing if it was purchased with Federal funds

# Spending Carryover

- ▶ Must spend it first in the carryover year or you lose it. 1<sup>st</sup> in 1<sup>st</sup> out

# Property Disposal

- ▶ May be asked to pay fair market value
  - ▶ May be asked to sell property and pay proceeds to DESE
  - ▶ May be asked to transfer title to another federal program
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# Equipment Disposal

- ▶ If current market value is more than \$1,000 per unit:
  - May be retained for other purposes or sold, however district may need to pay fair market value or proceeds from sale for item to DESE

If fair market value is less than \$1,000 per unit—  
Item may be retained for other purposes, sold, or otherwise disposed of with no further obligation

# Questions

