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MEMORANDUM

TO: Illinois Special Education Due Process Hearing Officers and State Directors of Special Education

FROM: Ms. Barbara Moore
Director, Special Education Department

RE: Reimbursement for Non-Approved Special Education Facilities under Section 14-7.02 of the School Code

DATE: February 14, 2020

The purpose of this memo is to inform Special Education Due Process Hearing Officers and State Directors of Special Education of changes regarding reimbursement by the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) for placements in non-approved Part 401 Special Education facilities under Section 14-7.02 of the School Code.

Starting February 14, 2020 ISBE will not provide reimbursement to school districts for placements in programs that do not meet the standards articulated in 23 IAC 401.10. This includes placements in non-approved programs ordered by hearing officers in due process decisions. ISBE will provide reimbursement to school districts for tuition payments made to non-approved programs that were ordered by hearing officers prior to February 1, 2020.

If you have questions or need further information, please contact Barbara Moore, Director of Special Educations, at 217-782-5589.