

Ohio Department of Health
Presentation to the State Audit Committee – Remediation Efforts
December 15, 2011

The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) is in process of remediating the seven audit comments presented in the Fiscal Year 2010 Federal Single Audit released by the Auditor of State (AOS) on March 31, 2011. These seven comments consist of questioned costs (QC), material weaknesses (MW), non-compliance (NC) issues, and significant deficiencies (SD) which had an impact on the Supplementary Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards. Some of the issues reported by the AOS have been repeated over multiple periods.

The new executive management at ODH is strongly committed to remediating the outstanding findings. The OBM Office of Internal Audit has been engaged to assist with these issues, as deemed appropriate.

In the 2010 State Single Audit, there are seven comments relating to ODH systems and processes. ODH has completed remediation on 3 comments as of today (green). The remaining 4 comments are either partially remediated or are in process of being remediated (yellow).

Item #	Comments Name/Description	Years Issued	ODH Remediation Status
1.	Period of Availability – <i>ODH is required to expend grant obligations within 90 days after the end of the grant period. ODH did not meet this requirement for two grants.</i>	2008, 2009, 2010 QC/SD	Partially remediated effective: October, 2011 Pending determination on remediation from CDC \$60,336. Validated by ODH: November, 2011
2.	Subrecipient Monitoring – Various Programs – <i>Single audit reports of subgrantees are to be submitted within nine months after the audit period covered and management is to make a decision within six months of receipt. Instances were noted that timelines were not met.</i>	2010 NC/MW	Remediated effective: March, 2011 - With on-going enhancements to ensure efficiency Validated by ODH: November, 2011
3.	Cash Management – <i>Documentation was not available to identify expenditures paid from a specific federal draw; ODH did not have written procedures for the process.</i>	2008, 2009, 2010 NC/MW	Remediated effective: April, 2010 OIA Recommendations: September, 2011 Validated by ODH: November, 2011
4.	Maintenance of Effort: HIV – <i>State funds must be spent at a certain level before federal funds are spent. ODH did not meet this requirement.</i>	2010 NC	ODH is working with AOS on this issue
5.	Lack of Monitoring Controls – Level of Effort, and Earmarking – <i>ODH did not establish formal monitoring procedures to determine whether ODH met the earmarking or level of effort requirements.</i>	2005 through 2010 MW	ODH is working with AOS on this issue
6.	Federal Reporting – MCH – <i>ODH did not maintain support to document data reported on Form 8 of the Annual Report.</i>	2010 MW	Remediated effective: December, 2010 Validated by ODH: November, 2011
7.	IT-Program Change Controls – <i>ODH did not have in place formal written procedures to track, monitor, remediate, test, implement, and document all mainframe or server-based program changes and establish segregation between WIC programmers.</i>	2004 through 2010 SD	Partially remediated effective: December, 2011 Anticipated remediation: April, 2012