Office of the Inspector General

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Management Advisory Report

Single Audit of the State of Indiana for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015

Single Audit of the State of Indiana for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015 A-77-16-00007



August 2016

Office of Audit Report Summary

Objective

To report internal control weaknesses, noncompliance issues, and unallowable costs identified in the single audit to the Social Security Administration (SSA) for resolution action.

Background

Indiana State Board of Accounts conducted the single audit of the State of Indiana. SSA is responsible for resolving single audit findings related to its Disability programs. Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) is the Indiana Disability Determination Services' (DDS) parent agency.

Findings

The single audit reported FSSA did not have proper internal controls to ensure DDS expenditures were charged to the proper Fiscal Year (FY) grant award. Specifically, medical evidence of record (MER) and consultative examination (CE) expenses totaling \$11,264 were improperly charged to the FY 2015 grant award. In addition, MER and CE expenses totaling \$235,798 may have been improperly charged to the FY 2015 grant award.

In addition, the single audit reported FSSA did not maintain documentation to support the Form SSA-4514, *Time Report of Personnel Services for Disability Determination Services*, for the quarters ended September 30, 2014, December 31, 2014, and March 31, 2015. We made a recommendation for corrective action on this finding to SSA in a prior report. We confirmed that SSA had taken appropriate corrective action to address this finding. Therefore, we will not repeat the recommendation in this report.

Recommendations

We recommend that SSA:

- 1. Verify FSSA established appropriate procedures to ensure expenditures are charged to the correct FY grant.
- 2. Ensure FSSA transferred the questioned MER and CE expenditures to the correct FY grant.



MEMORANDUM

Date: August 4, 2016 Refer To:

To: Gary S. Hatcher Senior Advisor

Records Management and Audit Liaison Staff

From: Assistant Inspector General for Audit

Subject: Single Audit of the State of Indiana for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015 (A-77-16-00007)

This report presents the Social Security Administration's (SSA) portion of the single audit of the State of Indiana for the Fiscal Year (FY) ended June 30, 2015. Our objective was to report internal control weaknesses, noncompliance issues, and unallowable costs identified in the single audit to SSA for resolution action.

The Indiana State Board of Accounts conducted the audit. The Department of Health and Human Services' desk review concluded that the audit met Federal requirements. In reporting the results of the single audit, we relied entirely on the internal control and compliance work performed by the Indiana State Board of Accounts and the Department of Health and Human Services' reviews. We conducted our review in accordance with the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency's *Quality Standards for Inspection and Evaluation*.

For single audit purposes, the Office of Management and Budget assigns Federal programs a Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number. SSA's Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income programs are identified by CFDA number 96. SSA is responsible for resolving single audit findings reported under this CFDA number.

The Indiana Disability Determination Services (DDS) performs disability determinations under SSA's Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income programs in accordance with Federal regulations. SSA reimburses the DDS for 100 percent of allowable costs. The Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) is the Indiana DDS' parent agency.

The single audit reported FSSA did not have proper internal controls to ensure DDS expenditures were charged to the proper FY grant award. Specifically, medical evidence of record (MER) and consultative examination (CE) expenses totaling \$11,264 were improperly charged to the FY 2015 grant award. In addition, MER and CE expenses totaling \$235,798 may have been improperly charged to the FY 2015 grant award.² The corrective action plan indicated FSSA had

.

¹ Federal Single Audit Report of State of Indiana July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 (December 23, 2015).

² See Footnote #1, finding 2015-020.

Page 2 - Gary S. Hatcher

established procedures to ensure expenditures are charged to the correct FY grant award. In addition, FSSA is transferring the questioned expenditures to the correct FY grant award.

We recommend that SSA:

- 1. Verify FSSA established appropriate procedures to ensure expenditures are charged to the correct FY grant.
- 2. Ensure FSSA transferred the questioned MER and CE expenditures to the correct FY grant.

In addition, the single audit reported FSSA did not maintain documentation to support the Form SSA-4514, *Time Report of Personnel Services for Disability Determination Services*, for the quarters ended September 30, 2014, December 31, 2014, and March 31, 2015.³ The corrective action plan indicated FSSA updated reporting instructions to include the documentation of data sources used to complete the Form SSA-4514. We made a recommendation to SSA in a prior report for corrective action on this finding.⁴ We confirmed that SSA had taken appropriate corrective action to address this finding. Therefore, we will not repeat the recommendation in this report.

Please send copies of the final Audit Clearance Document to Shannon Agee. If you have questions, contact Shannon Agee at (877) 405-7694, extension 18802 or Shannon.Agee@ssa.gov.

Rona Lawson

Rone Lausa

Attachment

cc:

Lynn Bernstein

³ See Footnote #1, finding 2015-019.

⁴ SSA, OIG, Management Advisory Report: Single Audit of the State of Indiana for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014 (A-77-15-00006), July 23, 2015.

MISSION

By conducting independent and objective audits, evaluations, and investigations, the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) inspires public confidence in the integrity and security of the Social Security Administration's (SSA) programs and operations and protects them against fraud, waste, and abuse. We provide timely, useful, and reliable information and advice to Administration officials, Congress, and the public.

CONNECT WITH US

The OIG Website (https://oig.ssa.gov/) gives you access to a wealth of information about OIG. On our Website, you can report fraud as well as find the following.

OIG news

audit reports

• investigative summaries

• Semiannual Reports to Congress

fraud advisories

press releases

congressional testimony

an interactive blog, "<u>Beyond The</u>
<u>Numbers</u>" where we welcome your
comments

In addition, we provide these avenues of communication through our social media channels.









OBTAIN COPIES OF AUDIT REPORTS

To obtain copies of our reports, visit our Website at https://oig.ssa.gov/audits-and-investigations/audit-reports/all. For notification of newly released reports, sign up for e-updates at https://oig.ssa.gov/e-updates.

REPORT FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE

To report fraud, waste, and abuse, contact the Office of the Inspector General via

Website: https://oig.ssa.gov/report-fraud-waste-or-abuse

Mail: Social Security Fraud Hotline

P.O. Box 17785

Baltimore, Maryland 21235

FAX: 410-597-0118

Telephone: 1-800-269-0271 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time

TTY: 1-866-501-2101 for the deaf or hard of hearing