

# Policy Clarifications – Medicaid

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**Agency:** OIM Bureau of Program Integrity

**Subject:** Using Buy-In Data to Close Medicare A/B TPL Resources

**Question:** Is it correct procedure to close a client's Medicare Third Party Liability (TPL) based on information from IEVS Exchange 7?

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**Response By:** Division of Health Services

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No. The CAO should never close a client's Medicare TPL based on Exchange 7 information.

Medicare Buy-In status on Exchange 7 is not the same as Medicare entitlement status found on IEVS Exchange 3. When Exchange 7 shows an individual has "inactive" Part A status, it means the individual is not receiving Part A Buy-In. It does NOT mean the individual has no Part A coverage.

The CAO should only use Medicare information from IEVS Exchange 3 to determine an individual's Medicare status.

**Reminder:** Closing Medicare TPLs incorrectly results in errors and prevents providers from submitting claims to the PROMISe system for payment.