# RMTS Backcasting Proposal #1

1. Add together the percentages in each of the reimbursable codes under the RMTS method (Total for code 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 15, and allocate 16). This will be done by region, or consortium, whichever the case may be. This total reimbursable percentage will be used for all CUs located within that particular region/consortium (there will be no state-wide average).
2. Each region must calculate its own region-wide average percentages in reimbursable codes under the worker-log method for each year subject to backcasting, and add together the reimbursable codes as described above.
3. The total percentages from step 2 will be subtracted from step 1, with the difference used to adjust all invoices subject to backcasting.

While any methodology chosen will have flaws, this method will cut down dramatically on the time necessary for adjusting invoices during the years to which we must apply backcasting, yet serve to be efficient and materially accurate.

Advantages to this method include:

- Higher-performing claiming units (such as family-resource centers and county offices of education) will not be punished as harshly. Rather, all CUs in the region will have identical percentage cuts (or gains).

- With this method a significant amount of time will be saved by not having to feed the new percentages into every invoice for recalculating reimbursements, rather, a simple recalculation factor is spread across the entire region. Overall results should be more equitable and, in total, similar to recalculating every invoice individually.