Thank you again for your thoughtful responses last week regarding teh ROPA Implementation Timeline.

I'm pleased to share that the extension outlined (see below) has been agreed to and updates to the AHCCCS webpage and related information are in progress (and will be shared as soon as published).

**Soft ROPA editing - Dates of Service 3/1/2021**

**Hard ROPA editing - Dates of Service 6/1/2021**

The extension will help AHCCCS and the MCO's to:

- Work through the analysis of who needs to be registered and who does not, i.e. establishing real impacts;
- Conduct coordinated/applicable communications;
- Ultimately ensure denials and access to care impacts are limited and/or negated;
- Allow for AHCCCS as well as the MCO's to implement the recently defined exception handling process for "non-registerable" provider types;
- Allow for further discussions into how to best facilitate out of state provider handling as well as any other outstanding issues.
With the aforementioned goals in mind I will be asking for a few volunteers to form a series of small teams on the highlighted topic areas, that we can then bring back to the larger workgroup. Please let me know your interest and who the participant would be by no later than COB Friday 10/30.

Any other questions please let me know. Thanks again!