

Settlement Document

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Local Governments to best determine how funds will be spent for opioid remediation within the established Regions. In every instance the Trustee shall retain final authority over Regional Distributions.

III. Funds to be used for Approved Purposes; Clawback and Recoupment

- a. With the exception of administrative expenses as allowed under the Opioid Settlement, funds set aside for attorneys' fees and costs for State of Georgia outside counsel, and funds set aside for attorneys' fees for Local Government outside counsel pursuant to Section VI of this Memorandum, State Opioid Funds and Local Government Opioid Funds shall be used for Approved Purposes.
- b. Funds are to primarily (no less than 70 percent) be used for future abatement purposes. Funds used to reimburse the Parties for past abatement expenses may not be used to reimburse past Medicaid expenses or any other expense that would be subject to a federal clawback, recoupment, or similar mechanism.
- c. The State and Participating Local Governments shall work cooperatively to ensure the funds are spent within the spirit of this Memorandum and the Opioid Settlement, and shall further work cooperatively to actively defend the funds from federal clawback and/or recoupment, including, but not limited to, actively participating in any administrative procedure or other case or process related to defense of the funds from federal clawback and/or recoupment. In the event the federal government initiates and successfully claws back any Opioid Funds related to the Settlement, such amounts shall first be deducted from the total disbursements to be made to both the State and Local Governments in the calendar year the clawback claim is successfully made and shall thereafter be deducted from the total disbursements to be made in any subsequent calendar year if necessary. After such deduction, the allocation between the State and Participating Local Governments described in Section II of this Memorandum shall be applied to the remaining funds for the current calendar year or any subsequent calendar year if applicable. Deduction of amounts from the total disbursements shall include reimbursement of any amounts paid