Dear ACL LAG member

For your information, please see below the email received yesterday from the LAA.

Kind regards

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Dear all,

The amended Immigration specification has been published today and is on the website. This is to cover changes to fees in force from 7<sup>th</sup> October by the <u>Civil Legal Aid (Remuneration) (Amendment)</u> (No. 2) (Coronavirus) Regulations 2020

There are also changes being made which will allow faster payments to be made to providers:

- 1. In asylum cases, providers will now be able to bill for legal help matters after the case has been fully prepared.
- 2. Billing is also now simpler where controlled work is referred from the upper tribunal back to the first-tier tribunal. Providers will be able to bill after receiving the upper tribunal decision that the first tier is being asked to reconsider the case.

The news story can be found here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/civil-news-faster-payments-and-new-fees-for-immigrationwork

The revised contract can be found here: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/standard-civil-contract-2018

The revised claiming guidance will go up soon.

ENDS