**Montana Partnership MeF Tests**

**2018 Focus Letter**

Dear Software Developers,

Montana test returns for 2018 will consist of scenarios. The tests and business rules document will incorporate numerous changes to the 2018 Form PR-1.

**Scenario Updates:**

Each scenario is designed to work in conjunction with the Business Rules document. To ensure your software is properly accounting for each line item, source documents (i.e. Federal and Montana forms, schedules, and detailed statements) are required with each test submission. The department will not test your submission until all required documents are provided.

**NOTE:** Schedule K-1 field matrices have been added to test cases 1 and 2 to help guide you to which fields should be completed. Schedule K-1 field matrices have been omitted from test cases 3 and 4 to test your ability to complete the Schedules K-1 per the business rule requirements.

**Resubmission Requirements:**

When resubmitting tests, the following is required:

* You must address all failed line items from the previous submission prior to resubmission. If resubmitting with partial corrections, provide a detailed statement advising which line items you are addressing in the resubmission.

**Changes:**

We have made several changes to the Montana Form PR-1, the Business Rules document, and the ATS test scenarios.

**The following is a list of changes made to the Form PR-1:**

1. Tax Rates
2. Exemption Amount
3. Standard Deduction Amounts
4. New line 17d
5. New credit on Schedule II – Apprenticeship Credit

**Business Rule Document Changes**

Changes to the Business Rules document for tax year 2018 are highlighted in yellow within the document.

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