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Subject: Important SPED STAFF email
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Friends,

Recently you were made aware that the Hudson Public School System was found in non-compliance for using the term "**sped staff"** in service grids. PQA ruled that this is in violation of **603 CMR 28.06(2)(a)** and stated that "it has previously informed school districts that the term "SPED Staff is not sufficient to describe the types of personnel required on the IEP service delivery grid." PQA has directed the Hudson Public School System to refrain from using the term **sped staff** and "that each IEP should identify the type of service providers, e.g., special education teacher, paraprofessional, Occupational Therapist, etc."

For information on the corrective action please click on the link below and you will find it on page 3.
http://www.hudsonsepac.com/PQA%2013_0029/pqa%20complaint%2013%200029%20Findings.pdf

It has come to light that the Hudson Public School System will not be changing any current IEPs to specify a service provider **UNLESS the individual parent/guardian requests this change.** The Hudson Public School System is not correcting current IEPs unless specifically asked to do so. H-SEPAC has contacted PQA regarding this, but it may be some time until a ruling is made.

Should you wish to ensure that a service provider rather than a staff member is providing services to your child and should you wish to ensure the Hudson Public School System is in compliance with your child's current IEP, you should contact Pupil Services to request the change in your child's IEP. The contact information for Pupil Services is:
Julianna Bahosh, Director of Pupil Services, jbahosh@hudson.k12.ma.us
Susan O'Keefe, Assistant Director of Pupil Services, sokeefe@hudson.k12.ma.us
Pupil Services: 978-567-6111 or 6112

Please share this information with everyone as we do not have access to everyone on IEP's!
Should you have any questions or concerns around this please let me know.
Let's make 2012-2013 a successful year for our children,

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