

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 31, 2009

To: Chief Executive Officer
Chief Financial Officer

From: Carie Summers
Chief Financial Officer

Subject: FY 2009 Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) Payments

BY FACSIMILE

I am happy to report that Myers and Stauffer recently completed their audits of the 2007 DSH Surveys submitted by hospitals in January 2009. As a result, the Department is ready to proceed with the various steps that will be necessary to make final FY 2009 DSH payments. Please see the following action items that will be necessary for your hospital to complete in order to receive a final FY 2009 DSH payment. Data for both action items can be found at www.dch.georgia.gov by selecting "Providers", "Hospitals", "Indigent Care Trust Fund" and "Payments".

Action Item 1: Letter of Agreement

A hospital's signed Letter of Agreement (LOA) (see "FY 2009 Letter of Agreement") will be a condition of receiving a FY 2009 DSH Payment. A signed LOA (i.e., the original) should be sent to:

Disproportionate Share Hospital Program
Attn: Annetta Smith
2 Peachtree Street, NW
34th floor
Atlanta, GA 30303-3159

A hospital may fax a copy of the signed LOA to Annetta Smith's attention at 404-463-3925; however, the original LOA is also required.

Action Item 2: DSH Eligibility and Data Elements

Each hospital should review their hospital-specific information (see "FY 2009 Hospital-Specific DSH Calculation Data Elements" and "FY 2009 Hospital-Specific DSH Eligibility") to ensure there have been no errors in hospital classification or transpositions in financial data. Please note this is not an opportunity for hospitals to restate uncompensated care that has already been reviewed and audited by Myers and Stauffer, rather, the department is only interested in technical corrections. Any requests for correction should be submitted to Myers and Stauffer at GADSH@MSLC.com **no later than Friday, April 3, 2009.**

Once any final corrections are made to the data elements, detailed information about the time schedule, facility payment amounts and intergovernmental transfers will be provided on the Department's web site the week of April 6, 2009. The department will send out separate correspondence notifying you of the availability of that information.

If you have any questions about this notice, please contact Annetta Smith, Program Director for Supplemental Reimbursement, at (404) 657-9272.