



MEMORANDUM

Date: September 29, 2025

To: Chief Executive Officer
Chief Financial Officer

From: Kim S. Morris, Director of Reimbursement
Division of Financial Management *Kim S. Morris*

Subject: FY 2026 Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) Data Survey

As required by federal guidelines, the Department of Community Health will use updated source data to determine a hospital's eligibility to receive funds from the Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) and Upper Payment Limit (UPL) programs for State Fiscal Year 2026. While some required data elements may be available from the Department's records or from hospital cost reports, other data elements can only be obtained by survey. The "ICTF/DSH Survey" form will be used in collecting data regarding hospital fiscal years ending (FYE) in 2024.

SURVEY INSTRUCTIONS:

A blank copy of the survey is attached and will be available on the Department's web site at www.dch.georgia.gov by selecting links for "Providers," "Provider Types," "Hospital Providers," "Supplemental Payments," and "Disproportionate Share Hospital." Myers and Stauffer will send the survey to each hospital via secure web portal along with FYE 2024 Hospital Statistical & Reimbursement (HS&R) reports. **The HS&R reports will not be placed on the DCH website.** Medicare/Medicaid crossover data will also be available and uploaded to the web portal. Please note the survey is broken down into two parts and both parts must be completed. To assist in the completion of the survey, hospital-specific surveys containing HCRIS data will be uploaded to each hospital's web portal. These surveys can be used if the hospital completes the survey using the Medicare version of its cost report. Instructions about how to submit the completed form can be found on a tab in each survey file. A reconciliation between the hospital's crossover data and the state detail must be performed if the hospital wants to use internal data. Hospitals have the option of requesting CMO HS&Rs from the CMOs directly or they may use self-reported CMO HS&R data. The FY 2026 survey contains historical information linked to your hospital's facility name such as ownership status and Medicare and Medicaid provider number. **Please verify this information is**



correct when completing the survey. If this information is incorrect or has changed during the year, please make a note on the survey.

DSH survey webinar training is scheduled for October 14, 2025, at 10:00 am EST. Further information related to the training will be sent by Myers & Stauffer.

The last date to submit the survey is November 14, 2025. No extensions will be granted this year.

Please note that a hospital **must** submit a completed ICTF/DSH Survey **to be eligible** for consideration to receive available DSH funds.

If you have any questions during the completion of the surveys, please contact Myers & Stauffer at (800) 374-6858 and indicate that you have a Georgia DSH question. If you prefer e-mailing your questions, you can contact Myers and Stauffer by e-mail at gadsh@mslc.com.

If you have any questions about this notice, please contact Annetta Smith, Senior Manager Office of Reimbursement, at asmith@dch.ga.gov