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MEMORANDUM

Date: May 19, 2021

To: Chief Executive Officer/Chief Financial Officer

From: Kim S. Morris, Director of Reimbursement *ksm*

Subject: FY 2021 Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) Payments

BY ELECTRONIC MAIL

Information related to State Fiscal Year 2021 DSH eligibility and payment data is available on the Department's web site at www.dch.georgia.gov by selecting options for "Provider," "Provider Types," "Hospital Providers," then "Indigent Care Trust Fund." On March 11, 2021, H.R. 1319 was signed into law. The Act contains a provision that will result in an increase to the total computable DSH payment allowed for SFY 2020 and SFY 2021. Adjustment to DSH payments will be made once the recalculation of the annual DSH allotment is made available to the state. Please note that the DSH data changed from the preliminary data previously posted on the Department's web site in March 2021.

To assure the timely receipt of intergovernmental transfer confirmation, a Notice of Intent to Transfer form **must be submitted** by May 24, 2021, to document the expected method of transfer. If the required intergovernmental transfer is not received by noon on Wednesday, June 2, 2021, the associated DSH payment will be delayed until later this year.

The DSH payment to hospitals will be issued through Georgia Medicaid Management Information System (GAMMIS). The same system that currently processes and pays Georgia Medicaid claims.

As previously noted in the memorandum dated November 18, 2020, "when a final payment amount has been determined, an additional payment will be issued for the difference between the final payment amount and the initial payment. If the interim payment exceeds the final payment amount, an immediate repayment will be due from the hospital for the excess amount." Providers overpaid must return the difference to the Department. A separate notice will be sent to each provider noting the amount due.

If you have any questions about this notice, please contact Annetta Smith, Senior Manager for Supplemental & Hospital Reimbursement, at (404) 463-6669 or asmith@dch.ga.gov.

**Georgia Department of Community Health
DSH Payments for SFY2021
Schedule of Key Events**

Wednesday	May 19, 2021	Notice to Hospitals
Monday	May 24, 2021	Notice of Intent to Transfer
Wednesday	June 2, 2021	Due Intergovernmental Transfers
Thursday	June 24, 2021	Payment