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## **MEMORANDUM**

Date: March 2, 2021

To: Chief Executive Officer

Chief Financial Officer

From: Kim S. Morris, Director of Reimbursement

Division of Financial Management

Subject: 2021 Disproportionate Share Hospital Data Review

## BY E-MAIL

An initial review of Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) Survey responses has been conducted for the Department by Myers & Stauffer. As part of this review, Myers and Stauffer adjusted hospitals self-reported DSH survey data elements which varied from statewide norms or submitted detailed support.

The initial data review results will be available by the end of this week on the Department's web site at <a href="https://www.dch.georgia.gov">www.dch.georgia.gov</a> by selecting options for "Provider," "Provider Types," "Hospital," then "Indigent Care Trust Fund." Separate data files for eligibility measures and for DSH limit calculations are presented.

Please review the information we have for your hospital to assure that the data is accurate. Myers and Stauffer will also post a preliminary result notice and an adjusted survey, including a detailed adjustments schedule to its web portal for each hospital. Any requests for data revisions should be submitted with appropriate supporting documentation to Myers & Stauffer at <a href="mailto:GADSH@MSLC.com">GADSH@MSLC.com</a> within five business days of receipt of the preliminary results notice.

Myers and Stauffer will complete expanded reviews for select hospitals with uncompensated care variances to ensure detailed information was submitted consistently. Hospitals selected for expanded reviews will be notified in the next week. Please note that DSH allocations cannot be finalized until we have accurate information for all eligible hospitals. A hospital's allocation amount can be impacted by changes to data elements for any other DSH eligible hospital.

The amount of the state appropriations made available for nongovernmental hospitals is pending. The final amount will not be available until the General Assembly passes the amended budget.

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