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MEMORANDUM

Date: May 20, 2024

To: Chief Executive Officer
Chief Financial Officer

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

Subject: FY 2024 Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) Payments

BY ELECTRONIC MAIL

The Department of Community Health (DCH) is pleased to inform you that it is scheduled to release the final DSH payment on June 27, 2024. Providers will be able view the DSH eligibility and payment data for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2024 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."

In addition to the SFY 2024 DSH allocation, hospitals designated in Pool 2 during SFY 2023 will also receive a redistribution of overpayments identified in an expanded testing performed by Myers and Stauffer. The intergovernmental transfer (IGT) for public hospitals will include both the SFY 2024 amount and the SFY 2023 redistribution.

Providers who elect to participate in the DSH program must sign the Letter of Agreement (LOA) form. The LOA must be signed by an authorized representative of the hospital and returned to DCH on or by May 28, 2024. Use this link ([click here](#)) to access the LOA form.

Provider must complete the Notice of Intent to Transfer form and submit it to DCH on or by May 28, 2024, to document the amount of the IGT to remit to DCH. If the required IGT is not received by noon on June 3, 2024, the associated DSH payment will be released at a later date.

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

As previously noted in the memorandum dated October 12, 2023, "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 Office of Reimbursement, at asmith@dch.ga.gov.

Attachment

**Georgia Department of Community Health
Schedule of Key Events**

SFY 2024 Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) Payments

Monday	May 20, 2024	Notice to Hospitals
Tuesday	May 28, 2024	Due Letter of Agreement & Notice of Intent to Transfer forms
Monday	June 3, 2024	Due Intergovernmental Transfers (IGT)
Thursday	June 27, 2024	Payment