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FROM: Department of Community Health - Office of Reimbursement

TO: Medicaid Providers

RE: Final Revised Billing Rate Effective July 1, 2023

2021 Cost Report Update

Based upon the approved SFY 2024 Budget (HB 19), the Department used the audited 2021 Medicaid cost report to calculate a final nursing home rate effective July 1, 2023. The nursing home rates will be updated annually subject to state appropriations using audited cost reports.

Providers are encouraged to review Chapter 1000 of the Policies and Procedures for Nursing Facility Services manual which outlines the methods and standards for setting payment rates for services. Your facility's per diem rate was calculated using the case mix index scores and Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) scores computed from your facility's Listing of Residents Report.

Providers may access their revised billing rate sheet on the Department of Community Health's website (www.dch.georgia.gov/providers/provider-types/nursing-home-providers).

If you wish to appeal your facility's revised nursing home rate, you must follow the procedures as outlined in Appendix I of the Policies and Procedures for Nursing Services manual. Such documentation must be submitted to DCH by August 7, 2023; otherwise, DCH's calculation stands and will not be re-considered. Appeal requests and supporting documents can be emailed to nh.appeals@dch.ga.gov.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Office of Reimbursement.

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