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Dear Administrator:

The purpose of this letter is to provide Residential Health Care Facility (RHCF) with information regarding the updated rates for the period November 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018. These rates are based on the same methodology and data used in the July 1, 2018 rates, except for the following update:

- **1.5% Across the Board Nursing Home Investment:** The State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2018-19 Enacted Budget established a Health Care Transformation Fund as Enacted (State Finance Law – Article 6, Section 92-hh). Part of this Health Care Transformation Fund has been allocated to provide an Across the Board Investment representing an 1.5% increase on the operating component for all New York State nursing homes.

Based on the above changes, the Department has increased the RHCF operating component of the rate by 1.5%. This will appear as a part of the Miscellaneous Per Diem line on your rate sheet. A backup file with detail of what is being included in the Miscellaneous Per Diem line is available via the Healthcare Financial Data Gateway on the Health Commerce System (HCS). The processing for the Across the Board Investment will take effect in cycle # 2183 with a release date of 07/10/19.

Should you have any questions regarding these payments please email NFRATES@health.ny.gov and Conor Petter or Michelle Santos will respond to your inquiry.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Laura Rosenthal", written over a horizontal line.

Laura Rosenthal
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