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Subject: Processing of January 2017 MDS
Census Collection – Update July 2017
Rates

Dear Administrator:

This is to formally advise you that new Medicaid rates for your residential health care facility have been promulgated and are now available on the Health Commerce System (HCS). The rates described herein are effective July 1, 2017 and are all-inclusive rates for health care services provided at your facility.

The formula on which these rates are based was promulgated is in accordance with Article 28 of the Public Health law and Part 86 of the Commissioner's Administrative Rules and Regulations.

The rates may contain an adjustment to limit the impact for any facility that reported a case mix change of greater than plus or minus five percent from the previous published case mix. The allowable positive and negative adjustments establish a floor and ceiling decrease / increase for facilities. If a facility's case mix dropped below the floor, the facility's change is limited to no less than the floor. Conversely, if a facility reported case mix above the ceiling level, the facility was held to the ceiling increase as calculated for the individual facility.

To provide assistance in understanding the methodology used to calculate rates provided herein, and effectively manage and be responsive to the volume of inquiries the Department has established the following email address: **nfrates@health.state.ny.us**. All email correspondence **should include the facility name in the subject line along with Jan17 Census / Jul17 Update**, along with the operating certificate number, the sender's phone number, and question(s) in the body of the email.

Sincerely,

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