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## Dear Administrator:

This letter provides an update regarding the implementation of the Nursing Home Quality Pool (NHQP) and the 1% supplemental payments for your nursing home.

As stated in previous correspondence, the Department implemented the NHQP and the 1% supplemental payments in Medicaid cycle #'s 2152 and 2153. If funds were owed for the NHQP, then the 1% payment was used to offset those funds owed. If the 1% was not sufficient to cover the NHQP amount, then the Medicaid cycle payments would be subject to a 15% recoupment until the balance was paid in full. The 15% recoupment was set to start in cycle # 2154.

In processing the recoupment in cycle # 2154, nursing homes subject to recoupment were set at a recoupment rate of 100%, as opposed to the 15% standard recoupment rate as intended. To rectify this, we have suspended any additional recoupments against the Quality Pool liabilities for 6 weeks or until cycle # 2161. Recoupments will commence again in cycle # 2161 at the standard rate of 15%.

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

Sincerely,

Laura Rosenthal

Director

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