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Howard A. Zucker, M.D., J.D.
Acting Commissioner of Health

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Executive Deputy Commissioner

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RE: LTHHCP NYC Wage Parity Rates Effective March 1, 2014

Dear Administrator:

This letter is to inform you of revisions to your NYC Long Term Home Health Care Provider (LTHHCP) Medicaid rate(s) effective March 1, 2014 in accordance with Section 3614.14 of the Public Health Law (PHL). These rates provide an adjustment to address cost increases stemming from the wage increases required by implementation of the provisions of the wage parity law in PHL 3614-c.

In accordance with PHL 3614.14, the Department has determined an adjustment to the fee-for-service rates for NYC LTHHCP providers to establish a minimum rate for both home health aide and personal care aide of \$20.95 per hour, retroactive to March 1, 2014.

The rates have been transmitted to the Department's Division of Program Operations and Systems for posting to the Department's eMedNY payment system. A copy of the revised Medicaid rate computation sheets, reflecting the increase, if applicable, of your bottom-line Medicaid home health aide and personal care aide rate(s) to \$20.95 effective March 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 is now available on the HCS website.

For information on the NYC wage parity requirements, in accordance with PHL 3614-c, providers are referred to the NYS DOH public website at:
http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/redesign/mrt_61.htm.

If you have any questions relating to the methodology utilized in the calculation of your NYC wage parity Medicaid rates please contact Tim Casey at (518) 473-4421.

Sincerely,



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Office of Health Insurance Programs

Attachments