



State of Louisiana
Department of Health and Hospitals
Bureau of Health Services Financing

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Nursing Home Providers:

Effective May 1, 2013 the Provider Fee for nursing home days will increase from \$8.02 to \$10.00 as allowed by Louisiana Revised Statute 46:2625. Future Quarterly Fee Reports issued by the Department will reflect this change.

Medicaid staff has already submitted our request to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the federal agency that oversees Medicaid, to increase the pass through amount to \$10 with the same effective date. These requests historically take a few months for CMS to approve. Louisiana Medicaid cannot pay the increased pass through until we receive CMS approval. However, the May 1, 2013 date is protected and can be paid retroactively if CMS approval is delayed. DHH will recycle claims to pay at the higher rate once approval is received. We appreciate your patience in this matter and we will keep you updated on the process.

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