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MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
Nursing Home Transmittal No. 286
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TO: Nursing Facility Administrators

FROM: Marlana R. Hutchinson, Director *mrh*
 Office of Long Term Services and Supports

SUBJECT: FY 2023 Quality Assessments Reporting Requirements and Payments

NOTE: **Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization are informed of the contents of this transmittal.**

This transmittal provides information regarding the quality assessment rates as well as requirements for quality assessment reporting and payment for Fiscal Year 2023. It also introduces a new tool to be used for quality assessment reporting.

Quality Assessment Rates

For FY 2023, the assessment amount is \$31.01 per non-Medicare patient day for all facilities subject to the quality assessment, except for the five facilities that reported the most Medicaid days of care for FY 2021. For those five facilities, the assessment amount is \$6.03 per non-Medicare patient day.

Reporting Days of Care

Beginning with FY 2023, the Department is implementing a new online process for reporting applicable days of care. Facilities will be required to report their resident days and the payment due using the secure, HIPAA-compliant Cognito tool designed for this purpose. Click [here](#) to access the new tool¹.

Further information regarding the online process, including instructions for submitting reports, may be found [here](#)².

¹ Link to QA reporting tool:

<https://www.cognitofrms.com/MDH3/NursingFacilityQualityAssessmentReport>

² Link to instructions: <https://health.maryland.gov/mmcp/longtermcare/SiteAssets/Pages/Nursing-Facility-Providers/Cognito%20Training%20for%20Quality%20Assessment.pdf>

Reports and payments must be submitted no later than 60 days following the last day of the quarter being reported, i.e., November 29, 2022, March 1, 2023, May 30, 2023, and August 29, 2023. Facilities that fail to submit reports by the deadline are subject to suspension of Medicaid payments. Additionally, delinquent payments are subject to a late fee equal to the state of Maryland General Fund investment portfolio interest rate in effect at the time the payment is due.

Remitting Payments

Payments shall be made using either ACH transfer or wire transfer. Specific account information will be sent securely under separate copy to authorized nursing facility representatives. Please include the facility's name, provider number, and the fiscal year and quarter to which the payment belongs. This information is especially necessary if a parent or management company is making the payment on behalf of the facility.

Questions regarding completion of the report may be directed to Darlene Jeffreyes, Program Specialist, at (410) 767-1453 or darlene.jeffreyes@maryland.gov. Questions regarding payment remittance, including specific receiving account information, may be directed to Thelma McClellan, Deputy Director, Office of Finance, at (410) 767-5192 or at thelmat.mcclellan@maryland.gov.

cc: Nursing Facility Liaison Committee