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SALLY DRESLIN, M.S., R.N. Executive Deputy Commissioner

April 10, 2018

Dear Administrator:

This letter is to provide you with information regarding your Hospice Residence Medicaid reimbursement rates effective January 1, 2018. The formula on which these rates are based was promulgated in accordance with Section 4014 of the Public Health Law (PHL) and Title 10, Part 86-6 of the Commissioner's Administrative Rules and Regulations. These rates are available on the NYS DOH public website at http://www.health.ny.gov/facilities/long-term_care/reimbursement/hospice/.

The base rates represent ninety-four percent of the weighted average Medicaid rate (which includes the minimum wage increase) of the nursing facilities located in the WEF region of your hospice residence (see attachment). For agencies that have on file with the Department the Hospice Providers' Certifications for Recruitment, Training and Retention, the published rates also include a payment of \$9.92 per day as the allocable portion of the payments authorized by Section 3614.9 of the PHL.

The payment for the January 1, 2018 initial rates will be made in cycle 2121, check release date May 2, 2018. If you have any questions regarding the above information, please send an email to Hospice-Rates@health.ny.gov and Russ Smith will respond to your inquiry.

Sincerely,

Ann Foster Deputy Director

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Division of Finance and Rate Setting Office of Heath Insurance Programs

Attachment