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MEMORANDUM

TO: RHCF Members

FROM: Patrick Cucinelli, Senior Financial Policy Analyst

DATE: May 7, 2008

SUBJECT: Medicaid Eligibility Determinations

ROUTE TO: Administrator, CFO

URGENT DATA
REQUEST –
RESPONSE DUE BY

MAY 12, 2008!

ABSTRACT: NYAHSA asks RHCF members for feedback on Medicaid eligibility processing.

NYAHSA and NYSHFA are working together in an effort to deal with ongoing problems surrounding Medicaid eligibility determinations. Specifically, we are looking to quantify the feedback we are receiving from members regarding delays in the processing of Medicaid applications in some local social services districts.

NYAHSA is asking members to complete a very short data request with respect to your facility's current outstanding Medicaid Pending Accounts Receivable (A/R). The survey asks you to enter your facility's Medicaid Pending A/R dollars as of March 31, 2008 (as well as your total overall A/R dollars). NYAHSA and NYSHFA will be meeting jointly with the Department of Health (DOH) to analyze which counties are experiencing significant Medicaid pending backlogs. The data requested will greatly assist us in pinpointing problem counties across the state. We ask that you take a few moments to submit the requested data no later than Monday, May 12, 2008. Once the data is collected, we will work with Medicaid and DOH in an effort to expedite the approval process, and thus improve facilities' related cash flow.

Please use the following link to enter your survey information: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=RF2cRv1V92c5CNbgK3DRIQ 3d 3d.

Please contact me with any questions at pcucinelli@nyahsa.org or call 518-449-2707 ext. 145.