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MEMORANDUM

TO: RHCF Members

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SUBJECT: **Release of 2008 Post-Hotline Medicaid Rates**

ROUTE TO: Administrator, CFO

ABSTRACT: DOH set to release post-hotline 2008 nursing home Medicaid rates.

Introduction

[NYAHS Doc. ID # N00001483](#) provided members with detailed information on the *Revised Hotline Process* the Department of Health (DOH) has implemented for the 2008 Medicaid rates. The new process, which seeks to expedite the handling of rate appeals, was also reviewed during the November 2007 series of CFO Council meetings. Part of DOH's goal in revising the hotline process is to ensure the timely release of the final 2008 post-hotline rates.

Release of Final 2008 Rates

NYAHS has confirmed with DOH that they intend to release the final 2008 Medicaid rate sheets sometime late next week. As part of their ongoing effort to streamline the process, DOH will also be posting the capital calculation and general *Dear Administrator letter* (DAL) on the Health Provider Network (HPN - <https://commerce.health.state.ny.us/>) shortly. NYAHS has also confirmed that the new rates have been released to eMedNY and payment on the new rates is expected by the end of March.

While waiting for the release of the final rate sheets, members should be checking the HPN for the DAL and capital component postings. Also, DOH intends to post the final 2008 trend and roll factors, and the 2007 banking adjustments on the HPN sometime next week. NYAHS's January [Fiscal Digest](#) provided members with some preliminary information for estimating the

2007 banking adjustment to be applied to the 2008 Medicaid rate. NYAHSa has confirmed with DOH that they expect the statewide average banking adjustment to be somewhere in the range of a positive 0.0050 to 0.0055. Please refer to the *Fiscal Digest* for details on applying the banking adjustment to your 2008 roll factor.

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

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