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#### 4. *MA Day One Incentive Payments for Nonpublic Nursing Facilities*

(a) MA Day One Incentive payment for FY 2013-2014. The Department will make MA Day One Incentive (MDOI) payments to each qualified nursing facility as an incentive to increase access to care for the poor and indigent citizens of Pennsylvania.

(i) An MDOI payment for each qualified nursing facility will be calculated and paid on a quarterly basis.

(ii) To qualify for a quarterly MDOI payment, the facility must:

- a. Have reported the resident day information to the Department for the applicable Resident Day Quarter in the manner specified by the Department in the *PA NF Assessment and Quarterly Resident Day Reporting Form End User Manual* by the applicable date in subsection (b).
- b. Meet the definition of a nursing facility as defined in 55 Pa. Code § 1187.2 for the entire applicable Resident Day Quarter.
- c. Have an overall occupancy rate of at least 85% during the applicable Resident Day Quarter.
- d. Have a MA occupancy rate of at least 65% during the applicable Resident Day Quarter.

(iii) For purposes of subsection (a)(ii) above, Overall occupancy rate =  $\frac{\text{Total Resident Days}}{\text{(licensed bed capacity at the end of the quarter)} \times \text{the number of calendar days in the quarter}}$ . MA occupancy rate =  $\frac{\text{Total PA MA days}}{\text{Total Resident Days}}$ .

(iv) The Department will use the Total PA MA days and the Total Resident Days defined in the *PA NF Assessment and Quarterly Resident Day Reporting Form End User Manual* as reported by nursing facilities on the applicable nursing facility assessment resident day reporting forms to determine eligibility and calculate payments.

(b) The Department will use the nursing facility assessment quarterly resident day reporting forms available on October 31 for the April 1-June 30 Resident Day Quarter, January 31 for the July 1-September 30 Resident Day Quarter, April 30 for the October 1-December 31 Resident Day Quarter and July 31 for the January 1-March 31 Resident Day Quarter to calculate each qualified nursing facility's MDOI quarterly payment based on the following formula:

(i) The MDOI quarterly per diem will be  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the total funds appropriated for the fiscal year divided by the Total PA MA days as reported by all qualifying nursing facilities for the applicable Resident Day Quarter.

(ii) The quarterly MDOI per diem will then be multiplied by each qualified nursing facility's Total PA MA days, as reported, for the applicable Resident Day Quarter to determine its quarterly MDOI payment.

(iii) The Department will not retroactively revise a MDOI payment amount based on a nursing facility's late submission or revision of its nursing facility assessment quarterly resident day report related to the dates above. The Department may recoup payments based on an audit of a nursing facility's report.

(iv) The state funds allocated for FY 2013-2014 are as follows:

FY - 2013-2014 - \$ 8,000,000



## NOTICES

### **Payment for Nursing Facility Services Provided by Nonpublic Nursing Facilities; Medical Assistance Day One Incentive Payments to Nonpublic Nursing Facilities for Fiscal Year 2013-2014**

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This announcement provides advance notice that the Department of Public Welfare (Department) intends to make Medical Assistance Day One Incentive (MDOI) payments to qualified nonpublic nursing facilities for Fiscal Year (FY) 2013-2014. The MDOI payments to nonpublic nursing facilities will provide incentives to nonpublic nursing facilities to provide services to individuals who are Medical Assistance (MA) eligible on the day of admission. The MDOI payments are intended to encourage nonpublic nursing facilities to increase access to care for the poor and indigent citizens of this Commonwealth.

#### *Background*

Act 55 of 2013 (Act 55) was enacted in this Commonwealth on July 9, 2013. Act 55, among other things, directs the Department to make quarterly MDOI payments for FY 2013-2014 to qualified nonpublic nursing facilities. The Department will use the Total Pennsylvania Medical Assistance (PA MA) days and Total Resident Days as reported by nonpublic nursing facilities under Article VIII-A of the Public Welfare Code (62 P. S. §§ 801-A—815-A), regarding nursing facility assessments to, determine eligibility and calculate payments.

To qualify for MDOI payments, the nursing facility must be a nonpublic nursing facility for the full Resident Day quarter prior to the applicable quarterly reporting due dates of October 31, January 31, April 30 and July 31. In addition, the nonpublic nursing facility shall have an overall occupancy rate of at least 85% and an MA occupancy rate of at least 65% during the Resident Day quarter. A nursing facility's overall occupancy rate for these payments will be determined as follows: Overall occupancy rate = (Total Resident Days ÷ (licensed bed capacity at the end of the quarter × the number of calendar days in the quarter)). A nursing facility's MA occupancy rate for these payments will be determined as follows: MA occupancy rate = Total PA MA days ÷ Total Resident Days.

Using the nursing facility assessment quarterly resident day reporting forms available on October 31, January 31, April 30 and July 31, the Department will calculate each qualified nonpublic nursing facility's MDOI quarterly payment based on the following formula:

(i) The MDOI quarterly per diem will be 1/4 of the total funds appropriated for the rate year divided by the Total PA MA days as reported by all qualifying nonpublic nursing facilities.