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UC Providers, Government Entities, and Anchors,

HHSC is processing an additional DY6 UC payment. The initial calculation of the DY6 projected Ambulance UC need was based upon a methodology that focused primarily on provider growth and was the same methodology that had been used in previous DYs. The resulting projection of nearly \$1.2 billion represented a calculation that did not consider additional critical factors. HHSC has revised that projection according to a different methodology and is reallocating funds from ambulance to the other provider types.

Attached to this email you will find a workbook titled "Final-2017 DY 6 UC Payment Calculation With Ambulance Reallocation". The IGT amounts are located in the UC Calculations by Hospital tab, column BR.

Providers may use current affiliations located in the attached Master Affiliation file. HHSC will be unable to accept new affiliation requests for this payment. If you are unable to find your provider within the "IGT Commitments by Affiliation" tab, the provider either (a) exceeded their UC limit paid in the DY6 UC Payments (see the "Recoupments" tab) or (b) the additional UC payment is less than \$100.00. Payments of less than \$100 will be processed when HHSC makes the 5% payment upon resolution of the *Texas Children's Hospital and Seattle Children's Hospital vs. Burwell et al., Civil Action No. 14-2060, in the US District Court for the District of Columbia*. If the provider is located on the "Recoupments" tab, HHSC will be sending the provider a recoupment letter with specific instructions to return the funds. It is imperative that eligible UC providers coordinate with their government entities to ensure the IGT received on their behalf does not exceed the maximum IGT amount collectively.

**To ensure that all government entities receive this notification, HHSC requests that anchors and providers send this information to any government entity who is IGT'ing on their behalf.**

HHSC is holding back 5 percent of the total DY6 UC allocation to address possible changes to all hospitals' HSLs pending the resolution of *Texas Children's Hospital and Seattle Children's Hospital vs. Burwell et al., Civil Action No. 14-2060, in the US District Court for the District of Columbia*. Upon final resolution of this case, HHSC will make a final DY6 UC payment based on the court decision.

Below are the pertinent dates associated with this DY6 UC payment:

- October 18 Last date to transfer funds into TexNet
- October 19 DY6 UC IGT Settlement Date
- October 31 DY6 UC Estimated Payment Date (every effort will be made to process all payments by this date, however it is possible that the Comptroller will not process some payments until the first week of November)

Please ensure you select the applicable UC bucket in TexNet when you enter your IGT. It is imperative that the government entity send a screen shot/PDF copy of the confirmation/trace sheet from TexNet or an email with the confirmation number and IGT amount if the TexNet is submitted over the phone,

to [RAD UC Payments@hhsc.state.tx.us](mailto:RAD_UC_Payments@hhsc.state.tx.us). In addition, you must submit the attached IGT Allocation form with the trace sheet. **Please do not submit separate emails for the trace sheet and IGT Allocation form.** Please include two contacts and their phone numbers and email addresses, should HHSC have any questions regarding the TexNet received.

Government Entities that are IGT'ing for multiple providers may submit one lump sum IGT for their affiliates. The IGT entity must complete the allocation form using the "IGT Commitment Amount" tab. By completing this form, HHSC Rate Analysis Department can calculate the allocation of the lump sum to apply to each provider. If a Trace Sheet is received without an IGT allocation form HHSC will allocate the IGT received in accordance with 1 Tex. Admin. Code §355.8201(h)(2)(B)(ii). In the absence of the notification described in 1 Tex. Admin. Code §355.8201(h)(2)(B)(i), each hospital owned by or affiliated with the governmental entity will receive a portion of its payment amount for that period, based on the hospital's percentage of the total payment amounts for all hospitals owned by or affiliated with that governmental entity.

In accordance with 1 Tex. Admin. Code §355.8201(h)(2)(C), if a government entity transfers more than the maximum IGT amount that can be provided for that hospital, and that hospital is affiliated with multiple governmental entities, then HHSC will calculate the amount of IGT funds necessary to fund the hospital's payment and HHSC will issue a pro-rata refund to the governmental entity/entities identified by HHSC. HHSC will determine the pro-rata refund, not the government entity/entities or their representative(s).

If you have questions regarding the UC payment process, please send an email to [RAD UC Payments@hhsc.state.tx.us](mailto:RAD_UC_Payments@hhsc.state.tx.us). We ask that all communication regarding this payment be submitted to the resource mailbox.

If you have questions regarding the UC payment calculation, please send an email to [uctools@hhsc.state.tx.us](mailto:uctools@hhsc.state.tx.us).

Thank you,

**HHSC Hospital Rate Analysis**

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