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**Facility-Specific Reimbursement Rates Updated**

Effective retroactively for dates of service on or after August 1, 2009, facility-specific provider reimbursement rates for Free-Standing Nursing Facilities Level B (FS/NF-B) and Free-Standing Subacute Nursing Facilities Level B (FSSA/NF-B) are updated.

Providers do not need to take any action. Claims paid at the prior rate for services rendered on or after August 1, 2009, will be reprocessed for retroactive rate adjustments.

Pursuant to Assembly Bill X4 5 (Chapter 5, Statutes of 2009), the allowable statewide weighted average reimbursement rate increase under AB 1629 methodology was reduced from 5 percent to 0 percent. As a consequence, provider facilities may experience a rate decrease that will require paybacks to the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). Overpayments of \$35,000 or more will automatically be collected over a period of eight consecutive weekly checkwrites. Providers with questions regarding the automated Erroneous Payment Correction (EPC) process may contact the Medi-Cal Telephone Service Center at 1-800-541-5555.

The facility-specific rates are posted on the [Long Term Care Reimbursement AB 1629](#) page of the DHCS Web site. Providers must use the new rates to bill for services on or after August 1, 2009. Out-of-state or border providers will be reimbursed at the statewide weighted average of \$164.27.

Facility-specific reimbursement rates are computed on an annual basis. Therefore, rates effective on or after August 1, 2009, are based upon audited data with fiscal year-end dates in 2007.

*This information is reflected on manual replacement pages [rate facil 7 \(Part 2\)](#) and [rate facil diem 2 \(Part 2\)](#).*

**Intermediate Care Facility Rate Updates**

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has updated provider reimbursement rates for Intermediate Care Facilities for the Developmentally Disabled-Habilitative (ICF/DD-H) and Intermediate Care Facilities for the Developmentally Disabled/Nursing (ICF/DD-N). Although the 2009 – 2010 rates for most Long Term Care facilities have been frozen at the 2008 – 2009 levels, these rate updates are to provide reimbursement for the additional staffing needed due to four additional mandated Adult Day Health Care Center provider holidays. The rates are effective retroactively for dates of service on or after August 1, 2009. Providers should bill using the new rates immediately. Providers do not need to rebill to adjust their payments; any retroactive rate adjustments for claims paid at the old rate will be reprocessed.

*This information is reflected on manual replacement page [rate facil diem 4 \(Part 2\)](#).*

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