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To:

Nursing Facility Providers and the Idaho Healthcare Association

From:

Leslie M. Clement, Administrator

Subject:

House Bill 708 Price Freeze Personal Care Services

Effective July 1, 2010, the hourly reimbursement rate for Personal Care Services (PCS) will freeze at the Weighted Average Hourly Rate (WAHR) utilized in state fiscal year 2010. The change is for State Fiscal Year 2011 (7-01-2010 – 6-30-2011). The reimbursement rate is based on the WAHR calculation for certified nurse aides, nurse aides, and therapy technicians.

This change in the reimbursement rates is being implemented to comply with HB708 §1 passed by the 2010 Legislature amending Idaho Code §39-5606 by meeting the request to freeze payments.

If you have additional questions about the new price freeze for PCS, please contact the Senior Financial Specialist for the Office of Reimbursement in the Division of Medicaid at (208) 364-1994.

Thank you for your participation in Medicaid.

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