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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chief Financial Officers

FROM: Dennis N. Phelps, Associate Director - Audit & compliance

DATE: May 5, 2015

RE: Medicare Therapy Capitations

This memorandum addresses the question of whether the Medicare Therapy Capitations for Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Speech and Language Pathology apply to Maryland hospitals.

According to Leslie Long, Provider Relations Research Specialist, Critical Inquiries Unit, Novitas Solutions, Inc., the Maryland Medicare Intermediary, (see attachment). Novitas received clarification from CMS that at this time the Medicare Therapy Caps do not apply to services rendered at Maryland hospitals.

If you have any questions concerning the above, you may contact me at (410) 764-2565.

Dennis Phelps -DHMH-

From: Dennis Phelps -DHMH-
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 4:52 PM
To: Marlene Riley (mriley@towson.edu)
Subject: FW: L141971 Therapy Cap update

Marlene:

Here is the answer.

Dennis

-----Original Message-----

From: Long, Leslie [mailto:Leslie.Long@novitas-solutions.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 4:25 PM
To: 'dennis.phelps@maryland.gov'
Cc: criticalinquiries
Subject: RE: L141971 Therapy Cap update

Dear Mr. Phelps,

This is in response to your inquiry dated March 30, 2015 regarding the application of the therapy capitations to Maryland hospitals.

We received clarification from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), which indicated at this time therapy services rendered in Maryland Hospitals do not apply to the therapy capitation.

I hope that you find this information helpful. If I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Geesaman, Trudy
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2015 1:26 PM
To: 'dennis.phelps@maryland.gov'
Cc: criticalinquiries; Portzline, Stephanie; Long, Leslie
Subject: FW: L141971 Therapy Cap update

March 30, 2015