

July 1, 2016

RE: State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2017 Quality Improvement Incentive

Dear Administrator:

In setting the ICF/ID rates for SFY 2017, an amount of \$200,000 was held in reserve for a Quality Improvement Incentive. We have CMS approval of our State Plan amendment for this program.

Detailed requirements for qualification under this QI Incentive program can be had by downloading the application form from our website. The website address is:

<http://health.utah.gov/medicaid/stplan/longtermcare.htm>

Please note: A facility receiving a condition level deficiency of “immediate jeopardy” during the incentive period is not eligible for any of the possible incentive. A facility receiving a condition level deficiency during the incentive period is eligible for only 50% of the possible incentive.

In order to be considered for the quality incentive payment, a facility must ensure its submission is postmarked, e-mailed or faxed to the correct address, as detailed on the agency’s website (see above) no later than May 31, 2017. Failure to include all required documents and supporting documentation will preclude a facility from qualification. Redundant review of the submission package is encouraged to ensure all required elements are included with the submission.

Facilities are encouraged not to wait for the deadline to submit their **completed** applications. Rather, as soon as all required information is available (e.g., once the SFY 4th quarter survey is completed), the facility should submit its application.

Should you have questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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