

**LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF OHIO
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID**

Pursuant to section 1902(a)(13)(A) of the Social Security Act, the director of the Ohio Department of Medicaid (department) gives final notice of the department's modification of provisions relating to the reimbursement of nursing facilities participating in the Medicaid program.

An initial notice was issued in December 2019 to inform the public of proposed changes in reimbursement to nursing facilities for Medicaid services. This final notice reflects the result of the public and legislative processes.

Late File Penalty During 14-Day Extension

The department may assess nursing facilities a late file penalty for each day a complete and adequate Medicaid cost report is not received after the original due date or any extension approved by the department. The late file penalty will be determined using the prorated Medicaid days paid in the late file period multiplied by two dollars per patient day. Cost report information is used by the department for rate setting and analysis. All cost reports need to be filed timely to ensure accurate rates.

Payment for Disputed Costs

Medicaid cost reports must include an Addendum for Disputed Costs. The department may consider these costs when determining a facility's per Medicaid day payment rate. The department is required to pay the facility interest at a reasonable cost for the period that the rate excluded the costs if the department includes these costs in the rate. This change is necessary to ensure all information received from a nursing facility is considered by the department in determining the facility's Medicaid payment rate. If it is not, an interest payment will be made.

If, as an interested party, you need further information regarding the rates for a specific nursing facility under these methodologies, you may contact Nursing Facility Policy at NFPolicy@medicaid.ohio.gov.