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Dear Health Plans:

The purpose of this letter is to provide Health Plans (Plans) with the initial hospital Medicaid inpatient rates for Private Psychiatric Hospitals (PPH) for the period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019.

The January 1, 2019 PPH rates incorporate an updated cost base (2017), as required in regulations. However, the method and rate components used for the payment of a Medicaid claim remains unchanged from the prior rates.

The PPH rate schedule includes the rate required to process Medicaid claims. Based on the above changes, Plans are encouraged to process adjustments according to the terms of their provider contracts with hospitals. This includes any reprocessing that should occur consistent with those agreements.

Should you have any questions regarding the above rate information, please submit your inquiry to [mhrs@health.ny.gov](mailto:mhrs@health.ny.gov) and a member from the Mental Hygiene Services rate setting unit will respond. Questions regarding Managed Care premiums should be addressed to [bmcr@health.ny.gov](mailto:bmcr@health.ny.gov).

Sincerely,

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