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To: Purchase of Services Contracted Private Providers

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Subject: Private Provider Reimbursements

The purpose of this memo is to follow up the Department's March 17, 2020 on private provider reimbursements related to COVID-19. As a result of the extension of Governor Lamont's "Stay Safe, Stay Home" executive order until May 20, DDS is continuing the COVID-19 supplemental payments for June and July payments.

The COVID-19 supplemental payments will be based upon one-twelfth of the annual authorizations. Day and employment programs will be paid at 100% of authorizations, while residential providers will be paid at 120% of authorizations. Please note payment and billing are separated while DDS is making COVID-19 supplemental payments, so providers should be submitting billing based only on services provided. Providers should enter all services provided for the April and May billing in accordance with DDS guidance memos so the state can receive revenue for these services.

DDS expects providers accepting payments in the revised methodology will not lay off staff and will maintain staff salary and wages at existing levels. DDS will require providers to continue to enter attendance for the purpose of federal reimbursement. We will continue to provide guidance regarding existing timeframes for data entry.

As a reminder, DDS has set up a general inbox for any qualified providers that may have questions regarding this memo or any COVID-19 related planning efforts. Please use the following email for such communications: DDS.COVID19@ct.gov. Also, please continue to check back on our website for updated FAQs.

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