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MEMORANDUM

To: DMHAS Private Non-Profit Providers

From: Miriam E. Delphin-Rittmon, Ph.D.

Date: March 23, 2020

Subject: DMHAS COVID-19 Provider Update #5

The Department has received approval for early release of provider 4th quarter payments. Providers will begin receiving 4th quarter payments starting Thursday, March 26, 2020. Please be advised that not everyone will receive payments at once and it typically takes several days for all payments to be issued. Be assured that we are doing our best to get payments out as quickly as possible.

While the Department still requires the submission of your interim Fiscal Report, we will not hold the 4th quarter payment for the receipt and review of this report. Further, your 4th quarter payment will be made in full.

The Department is aware of growing concerns from Private Non-Profit Providers related to caring for individuals exposed to or with COVID-19, especially when staff themselves are also facing health concerns related to COVID-19. DMHAS is participating in state-level planning relating to isolation sites, staffing needs and other emerging issues. We will communicate plans as they develop, but also welcome any creative suggestions or strategies you feel should be considered.

Many of the concerns and issues you are dealing with are the same issues DMHAS State-Operated facilities are grappling with. As DMHAS addresses these concerns as they arise, we will work to provide you with guidance and support as quickly as possible. Thank you for your unwavering commitment to the people of our state.