

October 17, 2011

RE: State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2012 Quality Improvement Incentive

Dear Administrator:

In setting the ICF/MR rates for SFY 2012, an amount of \$200,000 was held in reserve for a Quality Improvement Incentive. We now 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. That website address is:

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

Please note: "A facility receiving a condition level deficiency during the incentive period is eligible for only 50% of the possible reimbursement."

In order to receive the quality incentive payment, you need to ensure that you postmark or fax your application form and all supporting documentation no later than May 31, 2012. Failure to include all required supporting documentation precludes a facility from qualification.

If you do not postmark or fax a completed application along with needed supporting documentation by May 31, 2012 your facility will be omitted from the incentive payment calculation.

Facilities should not 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin Bagley". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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