## Update on Status of January 1 2024 Rate Letters Based on CMI/VBP Semi-Annual Adjustment

MHD has changed its plan regarding the timing of issuing the January 1, 2024 rate letters for the semi-annual CMI/VBP adjustment. Since CMS surprised them with the SPA approval for the \$10 PPD increase and \$.87 VBP incentive increase prior to January 1, MHD will wait to adjust the 1/1/24 rates and send rate letters in conjunction with the \$10 PPD and VBP increase which will include the 1/1/24 CMI/VBP adjustment at the same time. This should result in a smoother process for not only the state, but also facilities.

As a result of this decision, you will <u>not</u> receive your 1/1/24 rate letter or payment of the new rate until after the first of the year. Once the 1/1/24 rate letter is released <u>it will be inclusive of the \$10 PPD and VBP increase</u>. As stated above, the state believes it will be able to process the new rate around the first of February. Therefore, any adjustments upward or downward as a result of the 1/1/24 CMI/VBP will be part of the retro mass adjusted payment of the \$10 and increase in VBP incentive payment. Again, we will keep you updated as we learn more.