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INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO.1390

DATE: June 27, 2014

TO: Iowa Medicaid Dentists, Physical Therapists, Optometrists, Opticians, Pharmacies, Medical Supply, Clinics, Orthopedic Shoe Dealers, Audiologists, Rehab Agencies, Family Planning, Hearing Aid Dealers, Occupational Therapists, Independent Speech Pathologists, Chiropractors, Other Practitioner-General, Psychologists, Screening Centers, Maternal Health Centers, Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Certified Nurse Midwife, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist, Nurse Practitioners, Lead Inspection Agencies and Public Health Agencies

FROM: Iowa Department of Human Services (DHS), Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

RE: One Percent Rate Increase Effective July 1, 2013

EFFECTIVE: Immediately

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has approved the State Plan Amendment (SPA) corresponding to the provider rate increase that was mandated by the Legislature per provisions under 2013 Iowa Acts, Chapter 138, Section 29(j) (Senate File 446, Section 29(j)). This approval directs the IME to proceed with implementing a one percent rate increase for state fiscal year (SFY) 2014 that began on July 1, 2013.

The IME claims processing system was updated effective May 28, 2014, to reflect the increased rates. All claims received on or after May 28, 2014, with a date of service July 1, 2013, and after will be paid at the increased rates. New fee schedules reflecting the increased rates will be created and posted on the DHS website no later than June 30, 2014.

Claims that were eligible for the rate increase but paid prior to May 28, 2014, are being retroactively adjusted by the IME to reflect the rate increase. Payment will be made within the next 90 days and will appear on each provider's remittance advice.

If you have any questions, please contact the IME Provider Services Unit at 1-800-338-7909, or locally in Des Moines at 515-256-4609 or by email at imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us.