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## **Primary Care Physician (PCP) Rate Increase Program: Claims for Dates of Service Through June 30, 2015**

The PCP Rate Increase Program that began January 1, 2013, officially ended June 30, 2015. The Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) processed the second quarter payments for calendar year 2015 for the PCP program in mid-July that included billed claims received through June 30, 2015.

The DHCFP will be processing a final payment in January 2016 for the PCP Rate Increase Program that will capture billed claims for services delivered through June 30, 2015. This will allow ample time for providers to submit claims for dates of service through the June 30, 2015, end date.

The eligible claims will be determined by using the reimbursement methodology found in Attachment 4.19-B (Page 1c through 1c-3) of the Nevada Medicaid State Plan and will include only those providers who had submitted self-attestation forms prior to June 30, 2015.

During the last Nevada State Legislative session, the DHCFP received approval for a rate increase as part of the 2016-2017 biennial budget. The rate methodologies for provider types (PTs) 20 (Physician, M.D., Osteopath, D.O.), 24 (Advanced Practice Registered Nurse) and 77 (Physician's Assistant) have been updated to positively impact the most frequently utilized services provided to the most Medicaid recipients. This will bring Nevada more in line with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and national Medicaid reimbursement.

CMS approved the Nevada Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) that revises the rate methodology for PTs 20, 24 and 77. As part of the amendment, the DHCFP is updating the Medicare conversion factor from 2002 to the 2014 conversion factor and updating the applicable percentages for each of the CPT code ranges.