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MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
Medical Day Care Transmittal No.67
November 5, 2008

TO: Medical Day Care Center Directors
FROM: Susan J. Tucker, Executive Director
Office of Health Services

NOTE: Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization are informed of the contents of this transmittal.

RE: Fiscal Year 2009 Per Diem Rate

The Maryland Medical Day Care Program is increasing the reimbursement for medical day care services effective November 1, 2008. The new rate for services provided on or after November 1, 2008 will be increased to **\$73.27**.

Any provider that has already billed at the rate of \$72.91 for service on or after November 1, 2008 may submit an Adjustment Request Form (DHMH 4518A) to receive any difference from the originally billed amount. However, in accordance with COMAR 10.09.07.08E, the payment to a provider may not exceed the lesser of the per diem rate and provider's customary charge to the general public. This means that a provider may not bill for the Medicaid per diem rate for any recipient if there are private pay participants for whom the provider charges less than the Medicaid per diem rate for the same service, unless based upon an approved sliding fee schedule. Providers who elect to use a sliding fee schedule should continue to follow the guidelines in Medical Day Care Transmittal No. 25 dated January 12, 1989. Regardless of whether a provider uses a sliding fee schedule, any provider who chooses to set its private charge below the Medicaid rate must bill Medicaid no more than its private charge.

Questions regarding this transmittal should be directed to the Medical Day Care Specialist at 410-767-1444.

cc: League for Excellence in Adult Day Care
Maryland Association for Adult Day Services