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HOSPITAL CONTACT
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Re: Section 102 of the Further Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2023 and section 4102 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023; Extension of the Medicare-Dependent Hospital Program

Provider Name:
CMS Certification Number(CCN): xx-xxxx

Dear {Contact Name},

As part of the Further Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2023 and the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023, Congress reinstated the Medicare Dependent Hospital (MDH) program through September 30, 2024. Prior to enactment of that legislation, the MDH program had been set to expire December 17, 2022. Generally, providers that were classified as MDHs as of December 16, 2022 will continue to be classified as MDHs with no need to reapply for MDH classification. This letter serves as notification regarding {Provider Name's} MDH status.

<Insert any of the following paragraphs, as applicable:>

a) <{Provider Name} had requested classification for SCH status in accordance with the regulations at 42 CFR 412.92(b)(2)(v) and was approved effective with the anticipated expiration of the MDH program on December 17, 2022. However, since the MDH program was extended prior to December 17, 2022 and did not in fact expire, the SCH classification will not take effect. {Provider Name}'s MDH classification will continue to apply.

b) <{Provider Name} requested a cancellation of its rural status under 42 CFR 412.103 and was approved for the cancellation effective December 17, 2022. This cancellation precludes {Provider Name} from continuing to be classified as a MDH. Therefore, in order to be classified as an MDH, {Provider Name} must submit a request for reclassification as a rural hospital under the regulations at 42 CFR 412.103 (b) then and reapply for MDH classification in accordance with the regulations at 42 CFR 412.108(b).>

c) < {Provider name} requested a cancellation of its rural status under 42 CFR 412.103 and was approved for the cancellation effective {effective date - after December 17, 2022}. {Provider Name's} will continue to be classified as a MDH from December 16, 2022 through {enter date of day immediately prior to effective date of cancellation of rural classification} and its MDH status will be cancelled effective {enter effective date of cancellation of rural classification}. In order to be classified as an MDH, {Provider Name} must submit a request for reclassification as a rural hospital under the regulations at 42 CFR 412.103 (b) and then reapply for MDH classification in accordance with the regulations at 42 CFR 412.108(b).>

Per the regulations at 42 CFR 412.108(b)(7), in order to be reclassified as an MDH, a hospital may reapply only after another cost report has been audited and settled.>

If you have any questions, please contact me at *{insert contact information}*.

Sincerely,