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**MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**  
**Nursing Home Transmittal No. 226**  
**November 24, 2009**

TO: Nursing Home Administrators  
*Susan J. Tucker*  
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 2010 Revised Rates: December 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010**

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The Medicaid Nursing Home Program has revised providers' reimbursement rates effective December 1, 2009. These changes are cost neutral.

Specifically, the changes are as follows:

- Medicaid payments in the Administrative & Routine, Other Patient Care, and Capital cost centers will be reduced by 7.796 percent instead of the previous 8.681 percent;
- Reimbursement for the nursing portion of a Light Care day will be reduced by 3 percent; and
- Reimbursement for Hospital Leave bed reservations will be decreased by 50 percent.

The Department is proposing to amend COMAR 10.09.10.07, .11 and .16 to reflect these actions.

Please find the enclosed Fiscal Year 2010 rate letter for your facility effective December 1, 2009. Any questions regarding this transmittal or the rates on the enclosed rate letter should be directed to the Nursing Home Section of the Division of Long Term Care Services at 410-767-1736.

Enclosure  
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cc: Nursing Home Liaison Committee