

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PAYMENT FOR MEDICAL AND REMEDIAL CARE AND SERVICES

METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES - IN-PATIENT HOSPITAL CARE

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2015, the per diem rate in effect as of September 30, 2015, shall be reduced by five percent. The new per diem rate shall be \$552.05 per day.

Aggregate DSH payments for hospitals that receive payment from this category, and any other DSH category, shall not exceed the hospital's specific DSH limit.

Effective for dates of service on or after December 1, 2023, payment for DSH eligible services provided through a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Department of Health shall be equal to the Medicaid per diem rate on file for free-standing psychiatric hospitals.

1. Cost and lengths of stay will be reviewed for reasonableness before payments are made. Reasonableness will be determined at the sole discretion of the Department. Payments shall be made on a monthly basis.
2. Payment for DSH eligible services at the Medicaid rate shall be contingent on qualifying hospitals maintaining and timely submitting all department required documentation for DSH eligible services, throughout the review and audit process.
3. Payments shall be limited to \$552.05 per day if the Department determines that the qualifying hospital is not maintaining or timely submitting the required documentation for DSH eligible services, throughout the review and audit process.

No payment under this section is dependent on any agreement or arrangement for providers or related entities to donate money or services to a governmental entity.