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Subject: RE: Carolina Children's Home EDO Program

Hey Peggy,

We, unfortunately, cannot negotiate a different rate; the rate established for PRTFs came as a result of the legislative proviso that allowed high-management group homes to become PRTFs (I believe CCH was one such organization that benefitted from that legislation and made the switch from HMGH to PRTF). The current rate is in our State Plan; we are exploring changes to the rate for all PRTFs, but this will take at least a year. I'm going to ask around about enhancement based on your specialization, but can't make any promises.

We certainly need your services and your facility; so, please don't misread my response as SCDHHS not being interested in seeing you succeed. I just may not be in a position to make the adjustment you're requesting. It appears that you can, in fact, admit Medicaid kids now under your current status as a PRTF and will receive the \$291 all-inclusive per diem rate that's been established. Yesterday in our meeting with PRTFs we discussed looking at "exceptional" medical issues as being covered outside of the all-inclusive rate on a case-by-case basis. We will have to work those details out first before we can authorize those.

You indicated in our meeting that you were looking at an approach that kept you "not-for-profit" but provided you with the necessary mix of Medicaid, commercial insurance, and self-pay that kept you running. Has there been a change to that approach?

~Pete

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The rates would need to be substantially different from a regular PRTF client. That would be the biggest issue. Could we negotiate differently for that one program within the overall contract?

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Hi Peggy,

Happy New Year...I hope this finds you well.

Got your phone message. Are you able to serve Medicaid kids in your EDO program using your existing status as a PRTF? If so, do we need a separate contract? Seems to me that you could move forward with serving these kids now if you are already enrolled (I've included Sam, Brenda, and Jeanne for input).

~Pete

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