MEMORANDUM

TO: WV Medicaid Providers

FROM: Cynthia Beane, MSW, LCSW
       Commissioner

DATE: September 18, 2020

SUBJECT: Swing Bed Use During COVID-19 Public Health Emergency Period

Effective September 21, 2020, WV Medicaid will begin reimbursing enrolled hospitals for the use of Medicare Certified Swing Beds at a rate of $238.00 per diem in order to facilitate acute care hospital discharges and permit new admissions due to COVID-19 related increased need during the public health emergency declaration.

The level of care for a Medicaid patient transferred to a swing bed must be Nursing Home level. Medicare billing instructions should also be used which classifies by bill type.