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DEPT. OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES



Pete Ricketts, Governor

December 31, 2020

Clerk of the Legislature Legislative Fiscal Office P.O. Box 94604 Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Clerk of the Legislature:

In accordance with LB 1008 (2020), the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care (MLTC), provides this report regarding appropriations from state fiscal year (SFY) 2019-20 earmarked for nursing facility payments.

MLTC has expended the entirety of the \$336,349,731 earmarked appropriations in LB 294 (2019) for nursing facilities for SFY 2019-20. Upon review of expenditures for fee-for-service nursing facility services with a date of service ranging from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020, DHHS had expended the totality of these appropriations by September 30, 2020. As such, DHHS has not identified any additional encumbrances or retroactive payment amounts for this report.

Please note that MLTC is currently auditing SFY 2019-20 facility cost reports that were received by September 30, 2020, to determine potential retroactive payment adjustments that may need to be processed. There are 33 facilities that may be receiving retroactive adjustments. The retroactive adjustments could either result in an increase or decrease in expenditures.

If you have any questions, please contact Jeremy Brunssen, Deputy Director for Finance and Program Integrity, at Jeremy.Brunssen@nebraska.gov.

Sincerely,

Kevin Bagley, Director

Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care Department of Health and Human Services

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