

Notice to Medicaid Billers:

The NYS Department of Health is in the process of reducing provider NYS Medicaid checks for SFY 11/12 by 2% "across the board." Free-standing Article 28 clinics are exempt from the "check level" reduction because free-standing Article 28 clinics will have their rates adjusted at some future date in order to recover the 2% across the board reduction. That rate reduction is scheduled to coincide with the release of an additional APG investment so that providers will not see an actual decrease in reimbursement, but rather the additional APG investment less the 2% across the board reduction will be added to existing free-standing Article 28 funds.

Due to a technical error, free-standing Article 28 clinics will be mistakenly subject to a 2% check reduction for cycles 1786 (check release date Nov. 30, 2011) and 1787 (check release date Dec. 7, 2011). The reduction for cycle 1787 may not be a full 2% because the cycle ends on November 17, 2011 and the problem was corrected on November 16, 2011.

DOH is in the process of calculating the value of inappropriate reductions taken in cycles 1786 and 1787 and will refund that amount to the affected providers as soon as possible.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact Alan Maughan at [arm10@health.ny.gov](mailto:arm10@health.ny.gov) or 518-473-0919.