

Attention

- Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (OMRDD) Voluntary Agencies Operating Intermediate Care Facilities for the Developmentally Disabled (ICF/DD),
- OMRDD Article 16 Clinic Providers,
- Department of Health (DOH) Article 28 Clinic Providers, and
- Clinical Practitioners

Certain Long Term Therapy Services To Be Incorporated Into Intermediate Care Facilities For The Developmentally Disabled Medicaid Payment Rates

Effective January 1, 2007

Starting with services rendered **January 1, 2007**, each Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (OMRDD) certified **Intermediate Care Facility for the Developmentally Disabled (ICF/DD)** is fiscally responsible for the long term therapies identified below:

- occupational therapy,
- physical therapy,
- psychologist services,
- speech and language pathology,
- social work,
- dietetics and nutrition,
- rehabilitation counseling, and
- nursing services (excluding medical services provided by a nurse practitioner).



Separate Medicaid billing of these long term therapies by clinical practitioners, Article 16, and Article 28 clinics **will be prohibited when provided to an ICF/DD resident**, regardless of the service location.

Separate time-limited billing of specified therapies will be allowed in response to acute illness, an accident, or a post-hospitalization health need.

OMRDD sent letters to all certified ICFs/DD on May 19, 2006 and June 13, 2006 that contain details about this exception. (Copies of these letters were also sent to OMRDD Article 16 clinics.)

Note: Some of the services listed above are *never* billable by Article 28 certified clinics.

For ICFs/DD that **do not** have day treatment program funding included in their rate, separate billing of day treatment to Medicaid continues to be allowed.

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