

To: All Providers Participating in the Nebraska Medicaid Program
From: Kevin Bagley, Director
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Re: Update on Medicaid's Bed Hold Policy for COVID-19 Discharges

This bulletin is being issued to provide clarification regarding guidance found on page 2 of [Provider Bulletin 20-07](#) regarding facility-to-facility transfers when the receiving facility is owned by a different entity than the sending facility.

In instances like the one described above, Medicaid cannot pay the sending facility a bed hold rate while also paying the receiving facility the per diem rate. Medicaid would only be able to pay the receiving facility the per diem rate. However, the guidance in Provider Bulletin 20-07 for when both the sending and receiving facilities are owned by the same entity is still valid.

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The CDC's dedicated page is available at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>