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## **Primary Care Physician (PCP) Rate Increase Program Update**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has elected to discontinue the Primary Care Physician (PCP) Rate Increase Program as of December 31, 2014. However, the Nevada Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) is currently in the process of requesting a State Plan Amendment to extend the payments through June 30, 2015. The program will no longer be supported with federal funds.

The extension through June 30, 2015, is contingent on approval from CMS. The proposal was presented at a public hearing December 30, 2014, and has been submitted to CMS for their review and consideration. Upon approval from CMS, the enhanced rate will be paid.

The fourth quarter payments for the PCP rate increase for Calendar Year (CY) 2014 will be dispersed mid-January. The first quarter payments for CY2015 may be delayed depending on the timing of the anticipated approval by CMS.