

# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

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Date: October 6, 2015  
To: All Charging Ambulance Services  
From: Wendy H. Furniss, RNC, MS  
Branch Chief, Health Care Quality and Safety  
Re: Ambulance Rate increase

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Regulations of the Connecticut Department of Public Health 19a-179-21 (j) states" in setting the maximum allowable rates for each provider, the commissioner shall consider the following: (9) any other information the commissioner may deem relevant to the rate setting process".

In light of the reduction to the Medicaid rate for ambulances implemented this summer, the Commissioner took that into consideration and the Department of Public Health will increase the maximum allowable rate by 10% in recognition of (1) the recent Medicaid rate reduction and (2) that the ambulance industry is unique in that the state regulates the maximum amount they are allowed to charge private payers.

After a collaborative effort with other State Agencies, it was determined that there will be a 10% increase based on 19a-179-21 (j) (9) and in addition, the Department will include 2.5% rate increase based on CGS 19a-177 (9)(A) which would have taken effect on January 1, 2016 for a total of 12.5% increase effective November 1, 2015.

For those Services who have not yet submitted a rate application, please submit them no later than Wednesday, October 21, 2015. Additional copies of the application and spreadsheet can be found at [www.ct.gov/dph/ems](http://www.ct.gov/dph/ems) under EMS Communications and Reference Documents or contact Renee Holota at 860-509-8103 or [renee.holota@ct.gov](mailto:renee.holota@ct.gov).

Thank you.

Cc: Commissioner Roderick Bremby, DSS  
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