From: Cody, Catherine (HSS-DPH-Population Healthcare)

Sent: 08 June 2018 10:23

To: 'Martin Riley (NWSSP - Finance)'; Davies, Janet (HSS-DPH-Population Healthcare)

Cc: Holmes, Andrew (HSS-DPH-Population Healthcare); Haven, Gareth (HSS -

Finance); Mary Swiffen-Walker

Subject: RE: WIBSS 18/19 rates

Attachments: 20180608 - PHD - WIBSS payment rates 2018-19.docx

Hi Martin

Further to the emails below, please find attached the agreed payment rates for 2018/19.

Andrew and I are currently looking at setting up a series of meetings to look at the discretionary arrangements and some form of SCM payment. We will be in touch shortly with some proposed dates.

Happy to discuss in the meantime.

Thanks Catherine

From: Martin Riley (NWSSP - Finance) [mailto:Martin.Riley GRO-C]

Sent: 06 June 2018 15:00

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Subject: RE: WIBSS 18/19 rates

Thank you Janet,

This is helpful. I'll link with Cath, Gareth and Andrew to ensure we communicate and pay the exact option that has been agreed.

Ty Martin

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Sent: 06 June 2018 14:29

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Subject: RE: WIBSS 18/19 rates

Hi Martin

Many thanks for getting in touch and apologies for the delay in us being able to get back to you on this.

I can confirm that the Cab Sec has now approved the payment schedule for 18/19. The directions are being updated but I can see no reason for you not being able to communicate the new scales and confirm backdating to April..

Cab Sec has also agreed that we look at the discretionary arrangements and is content for us to explore whether we should have some form of SCM type arrangement.

Andrew can update in more detail and send you the payments agreed. Many thanks Jan

Janet Davies

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From: Martin Riley (NWSSP - Finance) [mailto:Martin.Riley GRO-C

Sent: 06 June 2018 09:31

To: Davies, Janet (HSS-DPH-Population Healthcare) < Janet. Davies GRO-C

Subject: WIBSS 18/19 rates

Importance: High

Hi Janet,

I trust you are well. The WIBSS Service is embedding well and we have had our first operational Management Group which went well. Cath and Gareth attended from WG.

There are a few things outstanding which are currently holding us back.

- 1. The 2018/19 uplift for beneficiary payments. We submitted a paper to WG outlining some options in March 2018 and whilst there has been some healthy dialogue we still do not know the uplift / new rates to apply. I believe the other 3 countries have announced and are paying their beneficiaries at 18/19 scheme rules and rates. We are receiving an increasing number of calls on a daily basis from beneficiaries wondering what's happening in Wales for 18/19, how it will affect them and what payments they are likely to receive.
- 2. England has introduced a Special Category Mechanism which, in theory, provides beneficiaries at stage 1 that have limiting lifestyle factors similar to beneficiaries clinically classed as stage 2, with the stage 2 payment levels. Our paper highlighted some options around this and I know that Cath, Gareth and other WG colleagues have been looking at this and other options. It was also discussed at our Management Group. Again we are receiving regular calls about this. This is also pressing as the majority of our beneficiaries are at stage 1 and if there was a change of policy in Wales then this could be financially significant to them.

I understand there's Ministerial processes and sign-off that needs to occur at Government level but the delay is causing us some reputational problems. We're managing these and providing assurances but we're running out of good will with some beneficiaries!

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