Dear GACCP Member:

Please see below for an update regarding the Medicaid rate increase and other news:

MEDICAID RATE INCREASE STATUS
In case you missed last week's Network Meeting, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) sent preliminary approval for our 10% rate increase. It is pending a CMS request for a rate study which will include provider input. DCH is currently developing the study requested. They are also working to get approval to process the increase prior to completion of the study. Let's all keep our fingers crossed. We desperately need it! We are monitoring the situation closely and will keep you apprised as things progress.

GACCP GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS IN ACTION
GACCP presented last week at a House Committee on Human Relations and Aging meeting. The focus was the workforce shortage - most specifically the nursing shortage. The group was made aware of just how difficult it is for us to do business during this time. We are encouraged to now have this on their radar.

In addition, GACCP's legislative committee met and developed, with board input, a legislative agenda for this session. It has already been presented to and reviewed with our lobbyists. Our lobbyist team at **Taylor English** is very strong! Seeing them at work and witnessing the relationships they maintain with our legislators and others at the Capitol is very impressive.

GACCP MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS AT WORK
With the help of our new management association, **Meeting Expectations**, we are closer to launching GACCP'S new website and will keep you posted when we are ready to go live! An enormous amount of work has gone into writing, mapping and polishing the site content and structure. Considerable focus has also been directed toward streamlining and making more efficient the general daily operations and processes of GACCP. It is and will continue to be a work in progress, and we anticipate great results!

Happy Thanksgiving to you and yours!
Claire Russell
GACCP President

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