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**MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  
Out of State Psychiatric Hospitals Transmittal No. 01  
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**TO:** Out of State Special Psychiatric Hospitals

**FROM:** Jill Spector, Director *Jill Spector*  
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**RE:** **Out of State Special Psychiatric Hospital Claims Billing**

**NOTE:** **Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization are informed of the contents of this transmittal.**

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Effective October 1, 2018, Maryland Medicaid will reimburse out of state special psychiatric hospitals at 100% of their host state rate for services provided to Maryland Medicaid recipients. This change does not affect psychiatric hospitals located in the District of Columbia.

Currently, out of state special psychiatric hospitals are cost settled. This process will remain in place until September 30, 2018.

Out of state special psychiatric hospitals must submit their host state rate letter to Maryland Medicaid before October 1, 2018 and thereafter, submit the updated rate letter for verification annually. Hospitals that do not send an annual rate letter may be suspended from reimbursement until the host state rate is verified. Billing instructions may be found at: <https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov/Pages/Billing-Instructions.aspx>.

If you have any questions regarding the information in this transmittal, please contact Maryland Medicaid Behavioral Health Unit at [mdh.bhenrollment@maryland.gov](mailto:mdh.bhenrollment@maryland.gov).