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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Chief Financial Officers

FROM: Gerard J. Schmith *AGS*  
Deputy Director, Hospital Rate Setting

DATE: June 29, 2017

RE: Rate Center Conversions for FY18 Rate Adjustment Files

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The Health Services Cost Review Commission is reviewing revisions to RVU scale for several imaging rate centers including RAD, NUC, CAT, MRI, and EEG. Staff is also preparing FY 2018 rate adjustment files for hospitals. The revisions to the RVU conversion scale affects rate realignment and staff has noted inconsistencies with how hospitals have reported their conversions on the 'revised' Ms schedules that were submitted. For example, some hospitals included the conversion in the units when revising their Ms schedule. Other hospitals shifted the cost (level IV MA schedule), but did not convert the units.

It is pertinent to the timing of the rate orders that we know how each hospital handled this revision. Please respond to your analyst via email whether or not a conversion was included as part of the M schedule revision to units.

Thank you in advance for your timeliness of this request so that staff can move forward with issuing rate orders.

Please contact Brian Morton at [Brian.Morton@maryland.gov](mailto:Brian.Morton@maryland.gov) if you have any questions.

Thank you.