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5-4 Timing of Disproportionate Share Payments

The DSH payments shall be paid on or before December 31, March 31, and June 30 of each fiscal year, in increments of one-third (1/3) of the total calculated DSH amounts.

5-5 Audit of Disproportionate Share Payments

As required by Section 1923(j) of the Social Security Act related to auditing and reporting of disproportionate share hospital payments, the Division of Medicaid will implement procedures to comply with the Disproportionate Share Hospital Payments final rule issued in the December 19, 2008, Federal Register, with effective date of January 19, 2009, to ensure that the hospital specific DSH limits have not been exceeded.

For audits conducted on DSH payments for Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) prior to FFY 2023, any funds recouped as a result of audits or other corrections shall be redistributed to other DSH eligible hospitals within the state, provided each hospital remains below their hospital specific DSH limit. Funds shall be redistributed to the state hospital with the highest Medicaid Inpatient Utilization Rate (MIUR). Any remaining funds available for redistribution shall be redistributed first to other state hospitals in the order of MIUR

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5-6 DSH Allotment Adjustments

If the federal government adjusts the DSH allotment available to Mississippi prior to the month of a scheduled payment within the DSH payment year, this revised Mississippi DSH allotment will be utilized in the next scheduled DSH payment. However, if the federal government revises the Mississippi DSH allotment after June 1 of the DSH payment year, this revised DSH allotment will be incorporated into an additional DSH distribution, negative or positive, that will be with the next DSH payment but based on the DSH calculation for the DSH payment year. All DSH payments are subject to the State's lower DSH payment limit.

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