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AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to reimbursement rates for inpatient hospital services at Westchester medical center

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subdivision 5 of section 2807-c of the public health law is amended by adding a new paragraph (b-1) to read as follows:

(B-1) IN ORDER TO ADEQUATELY REIMBURSE WESTCHESTER MEDICAL CENTER FOR THE SAFETY-NET SERVICES IT PROVIDES TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, AND TO REFLECT ITS STATUS AS A FREE-STANDING HOSPITAL, FOR DISCHARGES ON OR AFTER JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND NINE, THE REIMBURSABLE INPATIENT OPERATING COST PER DISCHARGE FOR THE WESTCHESTER MEDICAL CENTER SHALL BE COMPUTED BASED ON ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OF THE GROUP AVERAGE OF THE MAJOR PUBLIC HOSPITAL GROUP, IN ACCORDANCE WITH 10 NYCRR 86-1.72(A), COMPUTED USING THE COST DATA RELATED TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE MAJOR PUBLIC HOSPITAL GROUP WITHOUT THE INCLUSION OF WESTCHESTER MEDICAL CENTER OR ITS PREDECESSORS, AND WITHOUT CHANGING THE GROUP AVERAGE OF THE ACADEMIC MEDICAL CENTER GROUP.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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