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**NOTICE OF TERMINATION
WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSED RULE**

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
DIVISION OF MEDICAID**

Miss. Division of Medicaid
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Date Rule Proposed: July 11, 2008

Name of proposed rule being terminated:

SPA2008-027 Reimbursement to Christian Science Providers

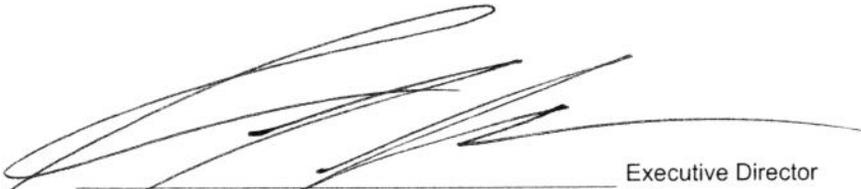
Explanation of the purpose of the proposed rule and the reason(s) for proposing the rule:

Pursuant to Miss Code Ann. § 43-13-117 (1972 as amended), if current or projected expenditures of the Division are reasonably anticipated to exceed the amount of funds appropriated to the Division for any fiscal year, the Governor shall discontinue any or all of the payment of the types of care and services provided under this section that are deemed to be optional services and when necessary, shall institute any other cost containment measures on any program or programs authorized under the article to the extent allowed under the federal laws governing that program. Therefore, this State Plan Amendment reflects necessary cost containment measures to assure Medicaid operates within expected revenues as described. This State Plan Amendment will affect Christian Science Providers.

Reason(s) for terminating the proposed rule:

After additional deliberations, the agency has determined that the proposed rule should be withdrawn in consideration of other options.

Date Proposed Rule Terminated: July 31, 2008


Executive Director
Signature and Title of Person Submitting Rule for Filing

State of Mississippi
METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES - OTHER TYPES OF CARE

Christian Science Sanatoria Services for EPSDT recipients, if medically necessary, reimbursed according to an established reimbursement rate.

The Division of Medicaid, as required by state law, shall reduce the rate of reimbursement to providers for any service by ten percent (10%) of the allowed amount for that service.

State of Mississippi
METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES - OTHER TYPES OF CARE

Care and services provided in Christian Science sanatoria – Reimbursement is a prospective per diem based on cost report date.

The Division of Medicaid, as required by state law, shall reduce the rate of reimbursement to providers for any service by ten percent (10%) of the allowed amount for that service

TN No. 2008-27
Supercedes
TN No. 2002-06

Date Received _____
Date Approved _____
Date Effective August 6, 2008

Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption

**State of Mississippi
Office of the Governor
Division of Medicaid**

Economic Impact Statement For Christian Science Sanatoria Providers

The Executive Director of Medicaid is required by law to recommend expenditure containments when expenditures are expected to exceed funds available for any fiscal year. Medicaid is facing a \$90,000,000 shortfall in state revenues for FY2009; therefore, certain cost containment measures have been identified as necessary to balance Medicaid's budget. These measures include reducing certain non-institutional providers an additional 5% reduction in reimbursement in addition to the 5% reduction as outlined in Miss. Code Ann. § 43-13-117 (1972 as amended).

It is estimated that it will cost the Division of Medicaid approximately \$5,000 to enforce the increased reduction in payments to providers. This includes system changes and staff time.

There is no economic impact for Christian Science Sanatoria providers, including small business providers, as there are no providers of these services at this time.

The Division of Medicaid is facing a \$90,000,000 shortfall in state revenues for FY2009. If this cost containment measure is not enacted, there will not be sufficient revenues to reimburse providers for the entire year.

State law limits cost containment measures that may be taken and precludes the Governor from changing eligibility or benefits; therefore, the only option is to reduce expenditures is to reduce payment.