

PUBLIC NOTICE

June 30, 2021

Pursuant to 42 C.F.R. Section 447.205, public notice is hereby given for the submission of a Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) 21-0024 Rehabilitative Services. The Division of Medicaid, in the Office of the Governor, will submit this proposed SPA to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) effective July 1, 2021, contingent upon approval from CMS, our Transmittal #21-0024.

1. State Plan Amendment (SPA) 21-0024 Rehabilitative Services is being submitted to 1) set the fees for rehabilitative services the same as those in effect on April 1, 2020, and 2) remove the five percent (5%) reimbursement reduction effective July 1, 2021.
2. The estimated annual aggregate expenditures of the Division of Medicaid are expected to be \$401,524 in federal funds for federal fiscal year 2021 (FFY21) and \$373,012 in state funds for state fiscal year 2022 (SFY22) and \$1,204,572 in federal funds for FFY22. The expenditures are calculated by removal of the five percent reduction and then comparing the difference with the actual FY2018 expenditures for rehabilitative services which included the five percent (5%) reduction.
3. The Division of Medicaid is submitting this proposed SPA to be in compliance with 42 C.F.R. § 447.201 which requires all policy and methods used in setting payment rates for services be included in the State Plan. These changes are being made to be in compliance with Miss. Code § 43-13-117, amended by MS Senate Bill 2799, effective July 1, 2021. Additional authority: Miss. Code § 43-13-121.
4. A copy of the proposed SPA will be available in each county health department office and in the Department of Human Services office in Issaquena County for review. A hard copy can be downloaded and printed from www.medicaid.ms.gov, or requested at 601-359-2081 or by emailing at Margaret.Wilson@medicaid.ms.gov.
5. Written comments will be received by the Division of Medicaid, Office of the Governor, Office of Policy, Walter Sillers Building, Suite 1000, 550 High Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39201, or Margaret.Wilson@medicaid.ms.gov for thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice. Comments will be available for public review at the above address and on the Division of Medicaid's website at www.medicaid.ms.gov.
6. A public hearing on this SPA will not be held.

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Covered services billed using Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) are reimbursed according to a statewide uniform fixed fee schedule. In establishing the fee schedule, the Division of Medicaid (DOM) engaged an actuarial firm to establish fees. DOM provided service descriptions and other information for the existing mental health services offered and the proposed new services. The relationships between comparable services for Medicaid programs in other states were examined to develop factors to apply to existing Mississippi fees to calculate the new service group fees with the fees for the existing mental health services. Consideration was given to the service descriptions, required provider credentials and current costs associated with services. Preliminary fees were modified to better reflect the expected provider cost relative to other mental health services. The agency's state developed fee schedule rate is set as of July 1, 2012, and is effective for services provided on or after that date. Effective September 1, 2020, Intensive Community Outreach and Recovery Team (I-CORT) services will be paid the rate established July 1, 2012, for Intensive Outpatient Programs (IOP) and Mental Health Assessments by a Non-Physician will be paid ninety percent (90%) of the Medicaid physician rate for a Psychiatric Diagnostic Evaluation. Effective April 1, 2021, I-CORT will be paid at ninety percent (90%) of the Programs of Assertive Community Treatment (PACT) rate.

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed uniform fixed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of mental health rehabilitative services as described in Attachment 3.1-A, Exhibit 13.d. All rates are published on the agency's website at <http://www.medicaid.ms.gov/FeeScheduleLists.aspx>.

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~~The Division of Medicaid will reduce the rate of reimbursement to providers for any service by five percent (5%) of the allowed amount for that service when applicable. The five percent (5%) reduction has been in place for community mental health services since July 1, 2002 and the fee schedule already incorporates the five percent (5%) reduction.~~

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