

PUBLIC NOTICE

June 30, 2022

Pursuant to 42 C.F.R. Section 447.205, public notice is hereby given for the submission of a Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) 22-0017 Therapy 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, 2022, contingent upon approval from CMS, our Transmittal #22-0017.

1. State Plan Amendment (SPA) 22-0017 is being submitted to allow the Division of Medicaid (DOM) to reimburse for therapy services at ninety percent (90%) of the Medicare rate in effect on January 1, 2022, and as may be adjusted each July thereafter.
2. The total estimated increase in annual aggregate expenditures associated with updating rates that are based on the Medicare physician fee schedule is expected to be \$3,206,530 for State Fiscal Year 2023. This estimated economic impact includes the impact of the rate updates proposed in MS SPAs 22-0009, 22-0011, 22-0012, 22-0013, 22-0015, 22-0017, 22-0018, 22-0022 and the professional service rates included in MS SPAs 22-0019 and 22-0020.
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. The changes in this SPA are being made to be in compliance with Miss. Code § 43-13-117, as amended by MS House Bill 657, effective July 1, 2022. 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 DOMPolicy@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 DOMPolicy@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.

State of Mississippi

Methods and Standards for Establishing Payment Rates – Other Types of Care

Therapy Services (provided in a non-hospital setting)

Physical therapy services – Reimbursement is made from a Mississippi Medicaid statewide uniform fee schedule based on ninety percent (90%) of the Medicare fee schedule in effect January 1, 2022, and as may be adjusted each July thereafter.

Occupational therapy services – Reimbursement is made from a Mississippi Medicaid statewide uniform fee schedule based on ninety percent (90%) of the Medicare fee schedule in effect January 1, 2022, and as may be adjusted each July thereafter.

Speech-language pathology services – Reimbursement is made from a Mississippi Medicaid statewide uniform fee schedule based on ninety percent (90%) of the Medicare fee schedule in effect January 1, 2022, and as may be adjusted each July thereafter.

Physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech-language pathology services for EPSDT beneficiaries, if medically necessary, which exceed the limitations and scope for Medicaid beneficiaries, as covered in the Plan are reimbursed according to the methodology described above.

Except as otherwise noted in the Plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech-language pathology services in a non-hospital setting. All rates may be viewed at [Fee Schedules and Rates | Mississippi Division of Medicaid \(ms.gov\)](#)

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Except as otherwise noted in the Plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech-language pathology services in a non-hospital setting. ~~Effective July 1, 2021, Mississippi Medicaid's statewide uniform fee schedule for physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech language pathology services will remain the same as those effective for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2021 for services provided on or after that date.~~ All rates may be viewed at [Fee Schedules and Rates | Mississippi Division of Medicaid \(ms.gov\)](#)

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