

# 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) 22-0020 Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) 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 #22-0020.

1. Mississippi Medicaid 22-0020 MAT Services is being submitted to allow the Division of Medicaid (DOM) to update rates for Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) services according to the applicable fee schedule and reimburse for Opioid Treatment Programs (OTPs) based on ninety percent (90%) of the Medicare fee schedule updated each July, effective for services provided on or after that date.
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, 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](http://www.medicaid.ms.gov), or requested at 601-359-2081 or by emailing at [DOMPolicy@medicaid.ms.gov](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://www.medicaid.ms.gov).
6. A public hearing on this SPA will not be held.

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METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES-OTHER TYPES

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1905(a)(29) Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT)

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MAT unbundled prescribed drugs and biologicals that are dispensed or administered by physician and non-physician practitioners are reimbursed using the same methodology as described on Attachment 4.19-B, Pages 12a through 12a.4, for prescribed drugs.

Effective April 1, 2021, the Division of Medicaid reimburses certified Opioid Treatment Programs (OTPs) ninety percent (90%) of the Medicare bundled rate for OTP services updated annually each July effective for services provided on or after that date. OTPs are limited to only the bundled rates for provision of MAT services and drugs cannot be billed separately.

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers. All rates are published at [www.medicaid.ms.gov/providers/fee-schedules-and-rates/#](http://www.medicaid.ms.gov/providers/fee-schedules-and-rates/#).

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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. ~~The Division of Medicaid's fee schedule rates were set as of July 1, 2020, except OTP bundled rate was set as of April 1, 2021, and are effective for services provided on or after that date.~~ All rates are published at [www.medicaid.ms.gov/providers/fee-schedules-and-rates/#](http://www.medicaid.ms.gov/providers/fee-schedules-and-rates/#).