

Mississippi Secretary of State
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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING

AGENCY NAME Division of Medicaid		CONTACT PERSON Robin Bradshaw		TELEPHONE NUMBER 601-359-3984	
ADDRESS 550 High Street, Suite 1000		CITY Jackson		STATE MS	ZIP 39201
EMAIL DOMPolicy@medicaid.ms.gov	SUBMIT DATE MAR 03 2023	Name or number of rule(s): Title 23 Part 215: Home Health Reimbursement, Chapter 1: Home Health Services, Rule 1.5 Reimbursement			

Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal: This administrative code is being filed to remove rate freeze language for home health services.

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: 42 C.F.R. § 440.70

List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: Rule 1.5 Reimbursement

ORAL PROCEEDING:

- ☐ An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on Date: _____ Time: _____ Place: _____
- ☒ Presently, an oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule.

If an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding must be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or ten (10) or more persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and, if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. At any time within the twenty-five (25) day public comment period, written submissions including arguments, data, and views on the proposed rule/amendment/repeal may be submitted to the filing agency.

ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

- ☐ Economic impact statement not required for this rule. ☒ Concise summary of economic impact statement attached.

TEMPORARY RULES	PROPOSED ACTION ON RULES	FINAL ACTION ON RULES
_____ Original filing _____ Renewal of effectiveness To be in effect in _____ days Effective date: _____ Immediately upon filing _____ Other (specify): _____	Action proposed: _____ New rule(s) <u>X</u> Amendment to existing rule(s) _____ Repeal of existing rule(s) _____ Adoption by reference Proposed final effective date: _____ 30 days after filing <u>X</u> Other (specify): MAY 01 2023	Date Proposed Rule Filed: _____ Action taken: _____ Adopted with no changes in text _____ Adopted with changes _____ Adopted by reference _____ Withdrawn _____ Repeal adopted as proposed Effective date: _____ 30 days after filing _____ Other (specify): _____

Printed name and Title of person authorized to file rules: Drew L. Snyder, Executive Director

Signature of person authorized to file rules: 

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Accepted for filing by _____	 Accepted for filing by <u>24790</u> <u>7324</u>	Accepted for filing by _____

The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.



Michael Watson

SECRETARY OF STATE

CONCISE SUMMARY OF ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

An Economic Impact Statement is required for this proposed rule by Section 25-43-3.105 of the Administrative Procedures Act. This is a Concise Summary of the Economic Impact Statement which must be filed with the Secretary of State's Office.

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DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF PROPOSED RULE Title 23 Part 215: Home Health Reimbursement, Chapter 1: Home Health Services, Rule 1.5 Reimbursement		
Specific Legal Authority Authorizing the promulgation of Rule: 42 C.F.R. § 440.70	Reference to Rules repealed, amended or suspended by the Proposed Rule: Rule 1.5 Reimbursement	

A. Estimated Costs and Benefits

1. Briefly summarize the benefits that may result from this regulation and who will benefit:
This administrative code is being filed to remove rate freeze language for home health services.
2. Briefly describe the need for the proposed rule: *This administrative code is being filed to remove rate freeze language for home health services. This rule is being filed 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.*
3. Briefly describe the effect the proposed action will have on the public health, safety, and welfare:
This Administrative code is being filed to correspond with MS SPA 23-0003 effective February 1, 2023, to remove rate freeze language and allow reimbursement to be updated annually based on cost reports.
4. Estimated Cost of implementing proposed action:
 - a. To the agency
☐ Nothing ☒ Minimal ☐ Moderate ☐ Substantial ☐ Excessive
 - b. To other state or local government entities
☒ Nothing ☐ Minimal ☐ Moderate ☐ Substantial ☐ Excessive
5. Estimated Cost and/or economic benefit to all persons directly affected by the proposed rule:
 - c. Cost:
☐ Nothing ☒ Minimal ☐ Moderate ☐ Substantial ☐ Excessive
 - d. Economic Benefit:

☐ Nothing ☒ Minimal ☐ Moderate ☐ Substantial ☐ Excessive

6. Estimated impact on small businesses:

☐ Nothing ☒ Minimal ☐ Moderate ☐ Substantial ☐ Excessive

a. Estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed regulation: *N/A*

b. Projected costs for small businesses to comply: *N/A*

c. Statement of probable effect on impacted small businesses: *N/A*

7. The cost of adopting the rule compared to not adopting the rule or significantly amending the existing rule (check option):

☐ substantially less than ☐ moderately less than ☐ minimally less than
☐ the same as ☒ minimally more than ☐ moderately more than
☐ substantially more than ☐ excessively more than

8. The benefit of adopting the rule compared to not adopting the rule or significantly amending the existing rule (check option):

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B. Reasonable Alternative Methods

1. Other than adopting this rule, are there less costly or less intrusive methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule?

☐ yes ☒ no

2. If yes, please briefly describe available, reasonable alternative(s) and the reasons for rejecting those alternatives in favor of the proposed rule. (Please see §25-43-4.104 for factors you must consider.) *N/A*

C. Data and Methodology

Please briefly describe the data and methodology you used in making the estimates required by this form. *The expected increase in federal annual aggregate expenditures is \$1,618,459 for Federal Fiscal Year 2023 (FFY23) and \$2,055,558 for FFY24. The expected increase in state annual aggregate expenditures for FFY23 is \$367,076 and \$591,822 for FFY24. This financial impact was calculated using the proposed rates and the latest complete fiscal year's utilization data.*

D. Public Notice

1. Where, when, and how may someone present their views on the proposed rule and request an oral proceeding on the proposed rule if one is not already scheduled?

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. Comments will be available for public review at the above address and on the Division of Medicaid's website at www.medicaid.ms.gov.

SIGNATURE



TITLE

Executive Director

DATE

MAR 03 2023

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE OF RULE

MAY 01 2023