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Proposed Rule Cover Sheet

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NOTICE of PUBLIC HEARING and NOTICE to INTERESTED PARTIES

The Arkansas Department of Health (ADH), Section of Health Facility Services (HFS) will hold a public hearing on March 17, 2022; 10:00 a.m. in the Freeway Medical Tower, Suite 906, 5800 W. 10th St., Little Rock, AR, 72204 to allow interested persons an opportunity to comment on proposed revisions to the <u>Rules for Home Health Agencies in</u> <u>Arkansas</u> promulgated pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §§20-10-801 et seq. Proposed revisions are available on the ADH website: <u>https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/proposed-amendment-to-existing-rules</u>

The public is strongly encouraged to provide comments by e-mail to minimize the risk of Covid-19. E-mail comments to: <u>paula.day@arkansas.gov</u> or by regular mail to: HFS Rules Comments, 5800 W. 10th St., Ste. 400, Little Rock, AR 72204. All comments must be received by 4:00 p.m.; March 16, 2022.

Proposed revisions will include:

- Clarified requirements to delineate Medicare certified agency and an agency with only a state license
- Deleted requirements not current
- Deleted redundancy
- Added process for Parent agency to add branch offices
- Added requirements for parent office to provide adequate oversite of branch office.

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