NOTICE OF RULE MAKING

The Director of the Division of Medical Services hereby issues the following proposed medical assistance rule(s) under one or more of the following chapters or sections of the Arkansas Code: 20-10-211(a), 20-10-203(b), 20-76-433, 25-10-129, and Title 20, Chapter 77.

Effective for claims with dates of service March 1, 2014 and after, the Arkansas Department of Human Services is implementing coverage of the MIC-KEY Percutaneous Cecostomy Tube for all ages. In addition, the MIC-KEY Skin Level Gastrostomy Tube will be expanded to coverage for all ages. Arkansas Medicaid has estimated an annual budget impact of \$31,000.

The proposed policy is available for review at the Division of Medical Services, Program Development and Quality Assurance, 2nd floor Donaghey Plaza South Building, 7th and Main Streets, P. O. Box 1437, Slot S295, Little Rock, Arkansas 72203-1437. You may also access it on the Medicaid website (www.medicaid.state.ar.us), and download it from the "Proposed Rules For Public Comment" section of the website's *General* menu. Policy accessed from this location will be watermarked with the word "Proposed". All comments must be submitted in writing no later than December 10, 2013.

If you need this material in a different format, such as large print, contact our office at 320-6429.

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