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 occurring on and after October 1, 2014, Arkansas Medicaid will increase the Medicaid maximum reimbursement rate for the 52 mg Levongestrel-releasing Intrauterine Contraceptive System (Mirena IUD). Also effective for claims with dates of service occurring on and after October 1, 2014, Arkansas Medicaid will also expand Medicaid coverage to include the 13.5 mg Levongestrel-Releasing Intrauterine Contraceptive System (Skyla IUD). The rate is being increased and the coverage expanded in order to ensure availability of the IUD's for Arkansas Medicaid beneficiaries. Reimbursement for Mirena will be based on 100% of the manufacturer's list price as of November 18, 2013. Reimbursement for Skyla will be based on 100% of the manufacturer's listed price as of January 1, 2013. The estimated increase in annual expenditure is \$383,016.

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 at the above address no later than July 8, 2014.

If you need this material in a different format, such as large print, contact Program Development and Quality Assurance at 501-320-6429.

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