

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 November 1, 2015 the Division of Medical Services has implemented the following billing policy for single and multi-use drug vials: Single use vials: If the provider must discard the remainder of a single-use vial or other package after administering the prescribed dosage of any given drug, Arkansas Medicaid will cover the amount of the drug discarded along with the amount administered. Multi-used vials are not subject to payment for any discarded amounts of the drug. The units billed must correspond with the smallest dose (vial) available for purchase from the manufacturer(s) that could provide the appropriate dose for the patient. The leftover amount must be discarded and may not be used for another patient.

The proposed policy is available for review at the Division of Medical Services, Program Planning and Development, 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, to the above address, in writing no later than September 4, 2015.

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