

## 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 October 1, 2016, revisions are being made to the Group Psychotherapy code 90853 to be consistent with other state billing and payment levels within our zone. The change should result in significant savings to the Arkansas Medicaid program as well as prevent fraud, waste and abuse. The estimated annualized savings for FFY 2018 is \$36,104,000.**

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](http://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 5, 2016.

**On Monday, July 13, 2016 at 5:30 p.m., the Department of Human Services, Division of Medical Services will hold a public hearing at the Central Arkansas Library System, Darragh Center Auditorium, 100 Rock Street.**

**The Arkansas Department of Human Services requests public comment on the proposed rules in regard to the Rehabilitative Services for Persons with Mental Illness Update #1-16 located at <https://www.medicaid.state.ar.us/general/comment/comment.aspx>.**

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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