

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.

The Arkansas Department of Human Services is updating the Inpatient Psychiatric Behavioral Health Services Manual; Outpatient Behavioral Services Manual and establishing Residential Community Reintegration Program Certifications.

Effective October 1, 2017; Arkansas Medicaid proposes to move the Residential Community Reintegration Program service from the Inpatient Psychiatric manual to the Outpatient Behavioral Health Services manual and to establish certification requirements for the Residential Community Reintegration Program. This service was previously approved in the Behavioral Health Transformation package that was filed with the Secretary of State's Office on December 27, 2016 and given rule number 016.06.16-024.

The proposed manual changes are available for review in person 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. The proposed policy may also be accessed and reviewed on the Arkansas Medicaid website (www.medicaid.state.ar.us), and may be downloaded from the "Proposed Rules For Public Comment" section of the website's *General* menu. Proposed policy accessed from this location will be watermarked with the word "Proposed." If you wish to comment on the proposed policy, all public comments must be in writing and submitted to the Department at the above address no later than on midnight August 11, 2017.

On August 8, 2017 from 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., the Arkansas Department of Human Services, Division of Medical Services; Division of Developmental Disabilities Services and Division of Aging and Adult Services will hold a public hearing in the Jack D. Wilson Activity Room at the Arkansas Enterprises for the Developmentally Disabled Multipurpose Center, 105 East Roosevelt, Little Rock.

If you need this material in a different format, such as large print, or are otherwise unable to review it in person or electronically, please contact Program Development and Quality Assurance at 501-320-6429 Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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