

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 01-01-19 the Home Health Provider Manual has been updated to have all owners, principals, operators, employees and applicants for hospice providers to comply with criminal background checks required by law currently codified at Arkansas Code Annotated 20-33-213 and 20-38-101 et seq. Also, an old reference to ElderChoices and Alternative for Adults with Physical Disabilities is being corrected to ARChoices in Homecare.

The proposed policy is available for review at the Division of Medical Services, Office of Policy Coordination & Promulgation, 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 (<https://medicaid.mmis.arkansas.gov/General/Comment/Comment.aspx>), 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 **November 06, 2018**.

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