

## NOTICE OF RULE MAKING

The Director of the Division of Medical Services hereby issues notice that the public comment period for the following proposed amendment to a medical assistance rule will end on November 11, 2019. A Public Hearing was held for this rule on November 2, 2018. The original notice of rule making was published in the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* on October 8, 9, and 10, 2018.

**Effective January 1, 2019, the Arkansas Medicaid Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) provider's manual is updated to reflect the following changes: Removed definitions related to total cost of care and shared savings, and added definitions for Performance-Based Incentive Payments, Performance-Based Incentive Payment methodology, focus measure, and performance-based payment amounts; Reduced the number of weeks that enrollment is open; Clarified practice transformation payments and removed total cost of care calculations; Revised shared savings incentive payments to performance-based incentive payments. Decreased pool size to 1000, and changed savings to performance based. Changed per beneficiary cost to utilization measures and focus measures. Added the core measure requirement. Replaced shared savings with performance-based savings and total cost of care with utilization rates; and, Replaced shared-savings entities with shared-risk entities. The estimated impact was calculated to be a cost avoidance of (\$5,453,850) Federal Share; (\$2,271,150) State Share for 2019. For 2020 Federal Share is (\$10,907,700) and State Share is (\$4,542,300).**

The proposed rule is available for review at the DHS Office of Rules 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. Rules 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 11, 2018. You may also submit comments to the following email address: [ORP@dhs.arkansas.gov](mailto:ORP@dhs.arkansas.gov).

If you need this material in a different format, such as large print, contact the Office of Rules Promulgation at 501-320-6429.

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