

NOTICE OF RULE MAKING

Pursuant to one or more of the following Arkansas Codes, 20-76-201(13), 20-10-211(a), 20-10-203(b), 20-76-433, 20-77-102, 20-77-107, 20-77-603, 25-10-129, the Directors of the Division of Medical Services and the Division of Behavioral Health Services hereby issues the following proposed changes in the Medical Assistance Program under Title XIX of the Social Security Act: Effective January 2, 2006, all current Medicaid RSPMI providers and all entities applying for certification to enroll as RSPMI providers must meet all applicable Medicaid laws, regulations, rules and all requirements set forth by the Division of Behavioral Health Services. All RSPMI sites and all school-based RSPMI services must have certification by DBHS prior to RSPMI services being provided.

Upon determining that an application for certification complies with all applicable requirements, DBHS will provide written certification to qualifying providers and applicants. Certified providers and applicants must submit the certification to the Medicaid Provider Enrollment Unit, along with the required documents, according to procedures defined in the Medicaid RSPMI Provider Manual. Only the organization providing RSPMI services is eligible for Medicaid enrollment, billing, and payment, unless an exception set out in 42 U.S.C 1396a(a)(32) is applicable. This rule establishes conditions for certification and supplements, but does not supplant, other laws and rules.

These rules by the Division of Behavioral Health Services (DBHS) are available for review at the Division of Behavioral Health Services, 3rd floor Administration Building, 4313 West Markham Street, Little Rock, Arkansas 72205. You may also access it on the DBHS website (www.state.ar.us/dhs/dbhs). All comments must be submitted in writing no later than December 3, 2005.

If you need this material in a different format, such as large print, contact our Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator at 682-6789 or 1-877-708-8191. Both telephone numbers are voice and TDD.

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