NOTICE OF RULE MAKING

The Director of the Division of Behavioral Health Services hereby issues the following proposed rule(s) under one or more of the following chapters or sections of the Arkansas Code: § 25-10-129 et. seq.; Arkansas Administrative Procedure Act § 25-15-204

There is a moratorium on the certification of new Rehabilitative Services for Persons with Mental Illness (RSPMI) sites. "New site" means any site not certified as an RSPMI site except: replacement sites opened by an existing provider to provide ongoing continuity of RSPMI services when the provider is terminating services at a currently certified and operating RSPMI site; sites in continuous lawful operation furnishing RSPMI services since May 31, 2008. The moratorium shall be in effect until December 31, 2015, unless altered by amendment of this rule.

The proposed policy is available for review at the Division of Behavioral Health Services at 4800 West 7th Street, Little Rock, AR 72205. You may also access it on the Division of Behavioral Health Services website (http://humanservices.arkansas.gov/dbhs/Pages/dbhs_docs.aspx). All comments must be submitted in writing to the Division of Behavioral Health Services, 305 South Palm Street, Little Rock, AR 72205 or via e-mail to Robbie Nix at Robert.nix@dhs.arkansas.gov no later than April 14, 2015.

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