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Proposed Rule Cover Sheet

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NOTICE OF RULE MAKING

The Director of the Division of Medical Services of the Department of Human Services announces for a public comment period of thirty (30) calendar days a notice of rulemaking for the following proposed rule under one or more of the following chapters, subchapters, or sections of the Arkansas Code: §§ 20-76-201, 20-77-107, and 25-10-129.

Effective January 1, 2021:

In an effort to fill gaps and improve continuity of behavioral health services in Arkansas, it is necessary to include a new section in the Arkansas Medicaid Provider Manual to define the operation of Acute Crisis Units in the Hospital and Critical Access Hospital settings. Section 218.400 is added to recognize Acute Crisis Units as part of Hospital and Critical Access Hospital services.

The proposed rule is available for review at the Department of Human Services (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 and download the proposed rule on the Medicaid website at https://medicaid.mmis.arkansas.gov/General/Comment/Comment.aspx. Public comments must be submitted in writing at the above address or at the following email address:

ORP@dhs.arkansas.gov. All public comments must be received by DHS no later than November 9, 2020. Please note that public comments submitted in response to this notice are considered public documents. A public comment, including the commenter's name and any personal information contained within the public comment, will be made publicly available and may be seen by various people.

A public hearing by remote access only will be held on October 23, 2020, at 3:00 p.m. Individuals can access this public hearing by calling 1-774-220-4000 and entering the conference code, 8426607.

If you need this material in a different format, such as large print, contact the Office of Rules Promulgation at 501-396-6428.

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