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Proposed Rule Cover Sheet

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NOTICE OF RULE MAKING

The Director of the Division of County Operations hereby issues, for a thirty-day public comment period, a notice of rulemaking for the following proposed Medicaid rule(s) under one or more of the following chapters, subchapters, or sections of the Arkansas Code Annotated: §§ 20-76-201, 20-77-107, and 25-10-129.

Effective July 1, 2020, The Medical Services Policy Manual is being updated to reflect changes in coverage, service limits, and assessments due to Home and Community-Based Waiver (HCBS) reforms. Although there is no change to Medicaid eligibility, it has become necessary to update the business processes and information regarding coverage and service limits related to HCBS Waivers. Business processes are being removed throughout these sections and will no longer reside in the Medical Services Policy Manual. Pursuant to Acts 2017, No. 892, the State Plan and Medical Services Policy at H-410 has been amended and approved by CMS to detail income offsets for the post-eligibility treatment of income in long-term care. In addition, terminology and grammar corrections have been made throughout MS section A-100.

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 or DHS website at https://humanservices.arkansas.gov/resources/legal-notices. 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 May 11, 2020. Please note that 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.

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